AN HELP TO DEVOTION: OR *Forms of Prayer* FOR Several Occasions,

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A HELP TO DEVOTION.

A Meditation before Prayer.

WHEN I bethink my ſelf how Eternity depends upon this Moment of Life, and conſider that I ſhall be happy or miſerable for ever, according as I neglect or improve the Means and Opportunities of Grace that are here afforded me: I cannot but wonder at my own Folly and Vanity, who am ſo little ſerious about my Eternal Concernments, and ſo apt to triſle away thoſe happy Opportunities which are allowed me to fit my Soul for Heaven, and work out my Salvation in.

Prayer is the lifting up of the Soul to converſe with God, and a Means to ob-

tain all Bleſſings; 'tis an high Honour and a mighty Advantage to us: And withal 'tis accepted by God as an Acknowledgment of his Authority, and a Teſtimony of our Obſervance: But 'tis a difficult (tho' neceſſary and becoming) Duty, and requires ſo much Attention and Serenity of Mind, that it can never be well done without ſome preceding Preparation.

Conſider therefore, O my Soul! how infinitely it concerns us to uſe our utmoſt Care and Diligence, to bring our Minds into a ſerious and heavenly Frame, when we are about to approach the great Lord of Heaven and Earth, who is able for ever to ſave or deſtroy us; and upon whoſe Favour depends all our Happineſs, both in this World and the next.

Think, O my Soul! how many invaluable Bleſſings we may obtain for our Selves, our Friends, and the whole Nation, if we duly improve theſe happy Opportunities, and preſent our Supplications with true Devotion; and not merely out of Cuſtom and Formality.

But ſince nothing makes us ſo unfit to pray, or ſo unlikely to be heard, as Sin unrepented of; we muſt be infinitely careful not to indulge our ſelves in any one Sin, but uſe our utmoſt Care and Induſtry to correct and reform what-

whatever is amiſs in us; and then we may cheerfully hope for a Part in the Pardon which God has promiſed, and Chriſt has purchaſed for us: For ſince God will be faithful to his own Promiſe, and juſt to the Merits of his dear Son, He hath obliged Himſelf, upon our true Repentance, both to forgive us our Sins, and to cleanſe us from all Unrighteouſneſs, by giving us Grace to forſake every evil Way; ſo that we ſhall be juſtified and ſanctified alſo.

Therefore that we may not loſe theſe great Bleſſings for want of due Qualifications on our Part; ſtrive, O my Soul! with thy utmoſt Force and Vigour, to make good thy Title to theſe gracious Promiſes; and to raiſe in thy Mind ſuch ſuitable Diſpoſitions, as may qualifie thee for obtaining theſe ineſtimable Advantages; and let the Senſe of thy own Unworthineſs, and Inability to perform or attain any thing that is good, excite thy moſt fervent Supplications to Him, who is the Giver of every good and perfect Gift.

A Preparatory Prayer.

O Thou that art the Beginner and Finiſher of every good Work, be pleaſed to aſſiſt my holy Endeavours to withdraw my Mind more and more from

theſe ſenſible things, and fix it faſt to thy Self, with the indiſſoluble Bands of an active Love and pregnant Devotion, that ſo whenever I proſtrate my ſelf before Thee, I may preſently be born away far above all theſe ſenſible Goods, in a high Admiration of Thee, and a paſſionate Longing after Thee.

Thou knoweſt, O Lord, my Spirit is willing, though my Fleſh is weak; my labouring Soul aſpires towards Thee, it ſtretches out the Wings of its Deſires towards Thee, and would fain mount up above all earthly things, and unite it ſelf to Thee in eternal Love: But, alas! when I think to be fervent in Prayer, and ſpread my Wants and my Deſires before Thee, thoſe worldly Cares and Delights, with which I have been too too converſant, are importunately thruſting themſelves upon me, to divert my Thoughts, diſtract my Intentions, and carry away my Affections from Thee; by reaſon whereof my Mind wanders, my Hope droops, and my Deſires are frozen; and whilſt I am drawing near Thee with my Lips, my Heart is running away from Thee. O my God, have Pity upon me, pluck my Soul out of this deep Mire, quicken, raiſe, ſpiritualize theſe my grovelling Affections. Poſſeſs this Heart,

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which opens it ſelf to thy gracious Influences, with ſuch a ſtrong and vigorous Love to Thee, as may lift me up above all earthly Things, and continually carry forth my Soul in vehement Deſires after Thee: So that I may always approach Thee with a joyful Heart; being glad to leave the Company of all other Things, to go to Thee, my God, my exceeding Joy. Give me a ſober, diligent and collected Spirit; not choaked with Cares, nor ſcattered with Levity, nor diſcompoſed with Paſſion, nor eſtranged from Thee with ſinful Prejudice or Inadvertency.

O my God, draw near to me, and touch my Mind with ſuch a powerful Senſe of Thee, as in Spight of all my Indiſpoſitions, may attract, and draw up my Soul to Thee: And if it be thy bleſſed Will, I beſeech Thee, inſpire my Heart with ſuch ſweet Tranſports of Love to Thee, as may not only pleaſe, but better me; that they may lift me up above all the Temptations of this World, and revive my Strength, and quicken my Endeavours, and compoſe my diſtruſtful Heart into a ſtedfaſt Dependance upon Thee; that ſo I may be fruitful in all good Works, and my Heart may be eſtabliſh'd unblameable in Holineſs before Thee.

And now, O Lord, while I am addreſſing to Thee, gather in, I beſeech Thee, my wandring Thoughts, and fix and ſtay them upon thy Self: And O! do Thou touch my cold and earthly Deſires with an out-ſtretched Ray from thy ſelf, and cauſe them to riſe and flame up to Thee in Fervours anſwerable to my preſſing Wants, that I may ſo ask, that I may receive; ſo ſeek, that I may find; ſo knock, that it may be opened unto me; through Jeſus Chriſt my bleſſed Lord and Redeemer. *Amen, Amen.*

A Prayer to be ſaid when we firſt awake in the Morning.

O Lord, I beſeech Thee, raiſe and rouſe up my dull Senſes: As the Morning Lark flieth up with ſweet Singing; ſo, Lord, let my Heart, Eyes, and all my Affections, be lifted up to Thee. O Lord, it is thy Mercy which has kept me ſafe this Night, and brought me to the Beginning of this Day; I beſeech Thee to protect, direct and bleſs me in the ſame; and by thy gracious Providence, diſpoſe all my Thoughts, Words, and Actions to thy Glory, thro' Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

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Ejaculations in the Time of Dreſſing.

CLoath me, O Lord, with the Ornaments of thy heavenly Grace, and cover me with the Robes of Righteouſneſs, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

O Lord, whatever becomes of my outward Form, cloath my Soul with the Graces of thy holy Spirit; and then, I am ſure, I cannot but be amiable in thy Sight.

Oh! make me regardleſs of the Applauſe of the World, and let it be my chief and only Care to approve my Self to Thee; ſo ſhall I be ſure to be ſafe, rich and amiable here, and glorious hereafter, thro' Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

A Morning Prayer.

OMoſt Mighty and Glorious God, Thou that ſitteſt in Heaven, ſurrounded with glorious Saints and Angels, vonchſafe to hear the humble Supplications of me, thy poor unworthy Servant, who here preſent my Self before Thee; bleſſing, praiſing, and adoring thy divine Majeſty.

I confeſs, O Lord, that I am utterly unworthy to appear in thy Preſence, or to ſpeak with my unclean Lips to ſo holy a God as Thou art: For Thou knoweſt

that in Sin I was conceived and born; and that I have encreaſed my original Guilt and Miſery by many and grievous actual Tranſgreſſions: I have broken thy holy, and righteous, and good Laws, throughout the whole Courſe of my Life, by Omiſſions and Commiſſions, by Negligence and Wilfulneſs, by Ignorance and Preſumption, by Thought, Word, and Deed; (particularly, ——— ———) O Lord, I confeſs, I have grievouſly ſinned and provoked thy divine Majeſty to Wrath and Indignation againſt me, to my utter Ruine, if thy Mercy do not help me: But I humbly beſeech Thee, O gracious Lord, that Thou wilt not deal with me according to my Deſervings; but according to thy great Mercies: I have ſinned, as a frail Creature; but be Thou merciful, as God: Look not, I beſeech Thee, upon what I have done, or upon what I ſhould have done; but upon what my Saviour has done for me: O let his Merits plead for me, who have no Merits of my own; and for his Sake, pardon all my Sins, and receive me into thy Favour.

Oh! ſpeak Peace to my poor Heart; and let me know, and feel, that Thou forgiveſt me. And I humbly beſeech Thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake, not only

only to pardon and forgive me all the Sins and Failings I have hitherto been guilty of; but to aſſiſt me, by thy Grace and holy Spirit, to ſerve Thee more faithfully for the Time to come.

Thou haſt promiſed thy Grace to thoſe that ask, and endeavour after it, in expectation of it: Oh! I deſire it, and will do what I can to be aſſiſted by it; and therefore I humbly hope this Promiſe ſhall be made good unto thy Servant.

Oh! vouchſafe me thy Holy Spirit, to be the Principle of new Life and Love in me, to infuſe into my Soul a ſupernatural and habitual Grace, and Ability to obey and ſerve Thee; that I may hereafter live as a ſworn Votary to thy Love.

Be Thou thy Self preſent to my Mind, and let thy Love and Fear rule in my Soul, in all thoſe Places and Companies where my Occaſions ſhall lead me this Day: Keep me chaſt in all my Thoughts, temperate in all my Enjoyments, humble in all my Opinions of my ſelf, charitable in all my Speeches of others, meek and peaceable under all Provocations, ſincere and faithful in all my Profeſſions; and ſo juſt and upright in all my Dealings, that no Neceſſity may force, or Opportunity in any kind allure me to defraud or go be-

beyond my Neighbour: When Thou beſtoweſt Good on others, let not me envy, but rejoice at it; and when Thou addeſt any to my ſelf, let me own thy Mercy, and humbly thank Thee for it: Afford me convenient Supplies in all my reaſonable Neceſſities; and protect me from all Dangers both of Soul and Body.

Make me ſincerely devout in all my religious Performances, and careful to improve all Opportunities of ſerving and glorifying Thee.

Thou needeſt not, O God, my Service; but accept, I beſeech Thee, my Ambition of being ſerviceable to Thee; and bleſs me both with Abilities and Opportunities for it, and, if it be thy good Pleaſure, with Succeſs therein.

In all my Paſſage through this World, and my manifold Concerns in it, ſuffer not my Heart to be too much ſet upon it, or any thing in it; but always fix my Eyes upon the bleſſed Hope of good Things to come; that I may make all the Things of the World miniſter unto it, and be careful, above all Things, to fit my Soul for that pure and perfect Bliſs which Thou haſt prepared for all that love and fear Thee, in the Glories of thy Kingdom.

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Be gracious alſo, O Lord, to thy choſen People, whereſoever they live upon the Face of the Earth; particularly, I beſeech Thee, bleſs theſe Churches and Kingdoms, wherein I live, with the continuance of Peace, Juſtice, and true Religion.

Bleſs thy Servant, our Sovereign Lady, Queen *Anne*; preſerve her Perſon, and proſper her Reign; endue Her with all thoſe Gifts and Graces, which may make Her a great Inſtrument of Promoting thy Glory, and the Good of thy People; make her Government a laſting Bleſſing to theſe Kingdoms, that under Her we may lead quiet and peaceable Lives in all Godlineſs and Honeſty.

Bleſs Her in all her Relations; in her Counſellors, Judges, and all other Officers both in Church and State; grant that every one of them, in their ſeveral Stations, may uprightly and zealouſly do their Duty; to the Maintenance of thy true Religion, and the Encreaſe of Piety, Honeſty, and brotherly Love among us.

Comfort and relieve all thy Servants that are in any Diſtreſs, Trouble, or Anguiſh, either of Body or Mind; (particularly *--) ſanctifie all thy Diſpenſations to them, ſupport them under,

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and graciouſly deliver them out of all their Diſtreſſes, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

I alſo humbly implore thy Favour and Bleſſings in behalf of all my dear Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance, (eſpecially *) bleſs us all with all Bleſſings Temporal and Spiritual, and grant that we may all ſerve and honour Thee for ever.

And I humbly beſeech Thee, O Father of Mercy, of thine infinite Goodneſs, accept my poor Returns of Praiſe and Thankſgiving, [for Preſerving me the Night paſt; and] for all thoſe numberleſs Bleſſings which continually flow upon me.

I bleſs and praiſe Thee, O my gracious God, for all thy Graces and Bleſſings Spiritual and Corporal, National and Particular; (*) I adore Thee for them all; and above all, for our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, and in Him for the Means of Grace, and the Hopes of Glory.

I beg a Continuance of all thy Bleſſings; above all, I implore Pardon for my Sins, and eternal Salvation for my poor Soul; and all this for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake; in whoſe holy Name and Words I recommend my ſelf to thy wonted Mercy.

Our Father, &c.

An Examination to be used before Evening Prayer.

WHAT have I done this Day for God and his Glory? What can I now look back upon with Comfort?

What were my first Thoughts in the Morning? Did I not forget to praise God's Goodness for my Preservation and Refreshment, and to recommend my self again to his Protection? Did I not waste that Time in Sleep and Sloth, which should have been spent in Prayer?

Did I offer up my Prayers with Reverence and true Devotion, and not merely out of Custom and Formality?

Did I not wilfully omit the publick Prayers of the Church? Did I behave my self there with Reverence and due Attention?

Did I afterwards diligently apply my self to my proper Business, and not spend my Time in Idleness or Vanity?

Was I temperate in my Enjoyments, and serious in my Behaviour?

What hath been my Company this Day? What Good have I done to them, or received from them? Did I sincerely endeavour to render my Conversation useful and edifying, and to improve all Opportunities of promoting good Discourse? Did

Did I duly obſerve my ſet Time for Devotion, and not willingly ſpend it in other Employments?

What have I learned this Day? Have I endeavoured to keep my Mind in a devout and heavenly Frame, and ſometimes lifted it up to God by a hearty Ejaculation?

Have I avoided my uſual Faults, and checked the Vices I am moſt inclin'd to?

What Bleſſings and Deliverances have I received this Day, and how was my Heart under them? Was I affected with God's Goodneſs, and unfeignedly thankful? Am I duly ſenſible of the divine Bounty in my uſual Enjoyments? Do I prize my Health, Friends, Peace and Plenty, and ſtrive to expreſs my Thankfulneſs by a conſtant and zealous Obedience?

Am I heartily ſorrowful for my Sins and Failings; and reſolv'd, by God's Grace, to ſtrive againſt them?

An Evening Prayer.

O Lord, I do again humbly preſent my ſelf before Thee; Oh! let my Prayer be ſet forth in thy Sight as Incenſe, and the lifting up of my Hands be

be an Evening Sacrifice, well pleasing and acceptable in thy Sight, through Jesus Christ.

O most Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; Thou art Holy, and Holiness becomes thy Presence, and those that draw nigh to Thee: But O Lord, I am unholy, I am unclean, I am unclean: I am sinful by Nature; but, O Lord, I am far worse by Practice; for I have grievously transgressed thy Commandments throughout the whole Course of my Life, by Thought, Word, and Deed; yea, this very Day I have not ceased to add new Sins to all my former Guilts; (*) O Lord, I confess with Shame and Sorrow, that I am vile and vain, sensual and worldly, careless and indevout; (*) For these my Sins, O Lord, my Conscience cries guilty, thy Law condemns me, and I deserve to receive the Sentence and Curse that is due to the wilful Breach of thy holy Commandments.

But I beseech Thee, O gracious Lord, that Thou wilt not deal with me according to my Deservings, but according to thy great Mercy: Execute not thy severe Justice against me, a Sinner; but exercise thy long Sufferance, in forbearing thine own Creature; and for his Sake, who has done nothing amiss,

amiſs, be reconciled to me, who have done nothing perfectly well.

O Lord, with all the Ardency and Devotion of my Soul, I beg and implore Mercy, Pardon and Forgiveneſs, for all my Sins: Heal all my Backſlidings, repair all my Breaches, mortifie my Luſts and Paſſions, vanquiſh all my irregular and inordinate Deſires, and ſanctifie me throughout, both in Soul and Body: O give me hearty Repentance and ſincere Contrition for all my Sins paſt, and give me thy preventing and reſtraining Grace for the future; and let me never wilfully offend Thee any more.

And ſeeing, O Lord, Thou haſt appointed me to die, and after Death comes Judgment; do Thou, O Lord, in great Mercy, fit and prepare me for my latter End; and whenever Thou art pleas'd to take me hence, do Thou, O Lord, receive my Soul into endleſs and everlaſting Happineſs.

In the mean Time, O Lord, whilſt it is thy bleſſed Will and Pleaſure that I ſhould continue in this Vale of Miſery, keep me continually in thy Fear and Favour; wean my Mind from the Love of this World, and worldly Vanities, and cauſe me more and more to ſettle my Converſation in Heaven, and

and heavenly things; and perfect daily the good Work Thou haſt begun in me, to the Glory of thy Name, and the Salvation of my ſinful Soul.

To this End, I beſeech Thee to beſtow upon me all thoſe Graces and Bleſſings which Thou knoweſt to be wanting in me, and neceſſary for me; with an Increaſe of all thoſe good Gifts wherewith Thou haſt already endued me; that ſo I may be the better enabled to lead ſuch a godly Life, and honeſt Converſation, as that thy Name may thereby be glorified, others may take good Example by me, and my Soul may the more be filled with the Joy of the Holy Ghoſt.

Accept of my humbleſt Praiſes and Thankſgivings, O Lord, for all the Mercies and Bleſſings which I daily and hourly receive from thy bounteous Goodneſs: I thank and praiſe Thee, O my gracious God, for all thy Graces and Bleſſings, both to my Soul and Body, to my Friends and Relations, and this whole Nation; particularly for the Preſervations and Bleſſings of the Day paſt, (*) All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Lord, grant me ſuch a Senſe of thy Goodneſs, as may expreſs it ſelf in a thankful and zealous Obedience; and

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grant that not only my Lips, but my Life may ſhew forth thy Praiſe.

Be pleaſed, gracious Lord, to preſerve, and take me into thy Protection this Night; preſerve me from Sin and Danger; and grant me ſuch ſeaſonable Reſt, that I may riſe the next Morning more fit for thy Service.

And I beſeech Thee, O gracious Lord, of thy bounteous Goodneſs, to have Mercy upon thy whole Church, eſpecially that Part of it eſtabliſhed in theſe Kingdoms: And herein bleſs the Queen, and all the Royal Family, all that are in Authority, all the Miniſters of thy holy Word and Sacraments. Bleſs likewiſe all my Relations and Friends; give us all, I pray Thee, the Bleſſings both of this Life and that which is to come; guide us by thy Counſel here, and hereafter bring us to Glory, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord.

Look down with an Eye of Mercy and Pity upon all thy wanting and ſuffering Servants; ſupport them under, and graciouſly deliver them out of all their Diſtreſſes, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

Lord, hear me, and help me, pardon and accept me; and do for us all abundantly above what we are able to ask or think, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake; in whoſe

whoſe holy Name and Words, in behalf of my ſelf and all my Friends, and all thy Servants, I humbly and heartily pray; *Our Father*, &c.

A ſhort Form of Prayer to be uſed either Morning or Evening, when there is not Time or Opportunity for the longer.

ALmighty God, who ſeeſt that I have no Power of my ſelf, to help my ſelf; I give Thee humble Thanks for thy Preſervation of me this Night [*or*, this Day] paſt; and for all the Graces and Bleſſings, the Preſervations and Deliverances Thou daily and hourly vouchſafeſt me, and all that belong to me: And I beſeech Thee to pardon all our Sins, and to preſerve us all from all Adverſities which may happen to the Body, and from all evil Thoughts which may aſſault and hurt the Soul, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord.

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghoſt; whoſe I am, and whom I ſerve, in whoſe Name I was baptized, and to whoſe Faith and Fear I am happily devoted; bleſs me both in Body and Soul, proſper the Work of my Hands, and the Way of my Goings; and together

ther with me, bleſs my Sovereign Lady the Queen, with all the Royal Family, and all that miniſter under Her both in Church and State; and all my Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance, with all Bleſſings Temporal and Spiritual, now and for ever, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake; in whoſe holy Name and Words I recommend myſelf to thy wonted Mercy;

Our Father, &c.

At going to Bed.

O Thou that never ſlumbereſt nor ſleepeſt, keep me in thy good Providence this Night; make my Sleep ſafe and refreſhing to me: Fit me for my great Change, that it may not ſurpriſe me unawares; but that having led a holy Life, I may be happy in my Death; and have Comfort, and well-grounded Hope in Thee.

Lord, grant that when my Body ſhall lie down in its Bed of Darkneſs, my Soul may paſs into the Regions of Light, and live with Thee for ever, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Sunday *Morning, to be added to our uſual Devotions.*

GLORY be to Thee, O my gracious God; who, in Compaſſion to humane Weakneſs, which is not capable of an uninterrupted Contemplation of Thee, ſuch as the Saints have above, haſt appointed a ſolemn Day on Purpoſe for thy Remembrance, wherein I have nothing to do, but to praiſe and love Thee.

O my God, give me Grace on this thy Day, to worſhip Thee acceptably in Private, and in the Congregation: to ſpend it in doing Good; in Works of Neceſſity, Devotion, and Charity; in Prayers, and Praiſes, and Meditation. O! let thy Day ever be to me a Day Sacred to Divine Love, a Day of heavenly Reſt and Refreſhment.

Glory be to Thee, O bleſſed Spirit, who, on the firſt Day of the Week, didſt deſcend in miraculous Gifts and Graces on the Apoſtles; Oh! deſcend upon me, that I may be always in the Spirit on the Lord's Day.

O my God, I humbly beſeech Thee to prepare my Heart to worſhip Thee this Day acceptably, with Reverence and godly Fear. Oh! fill me with that

Faith

Faith which works by Love; purifie my Heart from all vain, or worldly, or ſinful Thoughts; fix my Affections on things above, all the Day long: And, O Lord, give me Grace to receive thy Word, which I ſhall hear this Day, into an honeſt and good Heart, and to bring forth Fruit with Patience: Hear me, O God, for the Sake of Jeſus thy Beloved.

O Lord, I beſeech Thee, ſtrengthen me, by thy Grace, to do what Thou requireſt, as Thou wouldeſt have it done. Lord, pardon my Unpreparation, bear with my Infirmities, accept of my poor Services, and crown all with thy Bleſſing.

Grant that my Soul's Enemies may be kept off, at leaſt reſiſted, and kept down; that my own Heart may not deceive me, nor the Devil divert me, nor the World diſtract or diſturb me; but that I may behave my ſelf as becomes thy Preſence, with all Reverence and Devotion.

Oh! let me conſider, it is the All-ſeeing God in whoſe Preſence I am, and that the holy Angels are ſent to obſerve my Devotions; that not one Thought ſhould be entertained by me, but ſuch as may be like Perfume breathing from the Altar of Incenſe; and not a

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Word may paſs from me, but may find Acceptance in Heaven, and ſound pleaſantly in thy Ears.

Oh! raiſe Thou my Devotion to the higheſt Pitch it can poſſibly reach, to praiſe Thee; enlarge my Soul to its utmoſt Extent, to love Thee.

Lord, hear and accept me, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

In the Church.

O Thou infinitely powerful and gracious God, remember, I beſeech Thee, the Frailty of me thy poor Creature, and vouchſafe me the Aſſiſtance of thy holy Spirit in thoſe Duties I am now about to perform. Draw away my Heart from all vain and unprofitable Thoughts, and confine it to thy Self, and thy Service; that I may ſhew a due Regard to all the Parts of thy Worſhip; and may now, and always, attend upon Thee with that profound Humility, becoming Reverence, and affective Devotion, that becomes a poor Creature, and miſerable Sinner, before the great Creator and Judge of the World.

Before the Leſſons, or the Sermon.

BLeſſed art Thou, O Lord: O teach me thy Statutes.

Lord, open my Eyes; that I may ſee the wondrous Things of thy Law.

Lord, help me ſo to hear and underſtand, remember and practiſe thy heavenly Word, that it may make me wiſe to Salvation.

Lord, bleſs thy Servant that is to ſpeak, and bleſs all us that are to hear; and grant that we may now, and ever, profit by thy holy Word.

O Lord, I beſeech Thee, add ſuch inward Grace to theſe outward Means, as may make us willing to be taught and reproved: That thy Word may not be to any of us, as Seed falling on a Rock; but may bring forth Fruit to Life Eternal, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen. Amen.*

After Service.

O Lord, I beſeech Thee, accept our poor Services; and compaſſionate our Infirmities. Oh! pardon our Wandrings, Dulneſs, and Indevotion; ſupply all our Wants, and the Wants of all thy Servants; and grant all that we have prayed for, and whatever

ever elſe Thou ſeeſt neceſſary or profitable for us, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen*, Lord: So be it.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord, moſt High.

When we are returning Home.

GLory be to Thee, O Lord, who haſt permitted me to appear before Thee this Day; and to tread thy Courts.

Lord, pardon all my Failings in thy Service; the Wandrings, Dulneſs, and Indevotion of my Prayers: For the Sake of my bleſſed Saviour, have Mercy upon me, pardon and accept me.

Lord, make me a Doer of thy Word, and not a Hearer only; leſt I deceive my own Soul. Let it be the Power of God unto Salvation.

O Lord hear, O Lord forgive; O Lord hearken, and do: Defer not for thine own Sake, O my God.

Prayers for every Day in the Week; to be ſaid at any Time of the Day. They may be added to our uſual Prayers, either Morning or Evening, as beſt ſuits with our Leiſure or Devotion.

For SUNDAY.

A General Thankſgiving.

LORD, help me to love and praiſe Thee with heavenly Affections, and a ſuitable Devotion.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; which was, and is, and is to come. Heaven and Earth, Angels and Men, the Air and the Sea, give Glory, and Honour, and Thanks to him that ſitteth on the Throne, who liveth for ever and ever.

All the bleſſed Spirits and Souls of the Righteous caſt their Crowns before the Throne, and worſhip him that liveth for ever and ever.

With theſe holy and bleſſed Spirits, I alſo thy Servant, O Thou great Lover of Souls, tho' I am utterly unworthy to offer Praiſe to ſuch a Majeſty, yet out of my bounden Duty, I humbly offer up my Heart and Voice to join with this bleſſed Quire in the Celebration of thy Glories.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive Glory, and Honour, and Power: For Thou haſt created all Things; and for thy Pleaſure they are, and were created.

Thou haſt made Heaven, the Heaven of Heavens, with all their Hoſts; the Earth, and all things that are therein: And Thou preſerveſt them all.

I believe, O Thou great Creator, that thy divine Love made Thee communicate Being to thy Creatures; that Thou loveſt all Things, and hateſt nothing Thou haſt made: Glory be to Thee.

I believe, O Thou communicative Goodneſs, that Thou doſt preſerve, and protect, and bleſs all Things Thou haſt made, ſuitably to the Natures Thou haſt given them; that 'tis in Thee only we live, and move, and have our Being: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

I believe, O mighty Wiſdom, that Thou doſt moſt ſweetly order, diſpoſe, and govern all things, even the

moſt minute, to conſpire to thy Glory: O do Thou conduct my whole Life, ſteer every Motion and Affection of my Soul towards the great End of my Creation; to love, and to glorifie Thee.

Thy Works, O Lord, are wonderful and amiable; I love, admire, and praiſe thy univerſal Providence over the whole World, the perpetual Flux of thy Goodneſs on every Creature: All Glory be to Thee.

All Creatures ſhare in thy Goodneſs, O God; O let all Creatures help me to glorifie thy Name: Let every thing that hath Breath, praiſe the Lord.

I love and praiſe Thee, O my God, for all the particular Vouchſafements of thy Love to me; for all thy Deliverances and Bleſſings both to my Soul and to my Body, known or unknown; for all that I do not remember, or did not conſider: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

The longer I live, O my God, the more Reaſon I have to love Thee; becauſe every Day ſupplies me with freſh Experience, and new Inſtances of thy Love to me: And therefore all Love, all Glory be to Thee.

O moſt adorable Majeſty, I beſeech Thee, grant me ſuch a Senſe of thy Goodneſs as may expreſs it ſelf in a thankful

ful and zealous Obedience. O may I always love and revere, ſerve and obey ſo powerful and gracious a Lord.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord God, for all thy many Bleſſings and Deliverances, all thy Forbearance and Long-ſuffe-rance to this ſinful Land and Nation: Glory be to Thee, O Lord, who haſt made me alſo ſhare in thoſe publick Mercies: And for that Light of the Goſpel Thou vouchſafeſt us; of which the greateſt Part of the World is totally ignorant.

Above all, I give moſt humble and hearty Thanks to Thee, O God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghoſt, for the Redemption of the World by the Death and Paſſion of our Saviour Chriſt, both God and Man; who did humble himſelf to Death, even to the Death of the Croſs, for us miſerable Sinners, who lay in Darkneſs and the ſhadow of Death; that He might make us the Children of God, and exalt us to eternal Life.

Glory be to Thee, O moſt condeſcending Majeſty; who didſt ſtoop ſo low as to aſſume our frail Nature. Thou, O Eternal Word, didſt become Fleſh, and didſt dwell among us, on purpoſe to ſave us: And therefore all Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O moſt adorable Love, who didſt undergo a whole Life of Sufferings, and at laſt didſt ſubmit to a ſad and ſhameful, a publick and painful Death; and all this to ſave us, wretched Sinners, who had nothing in us to move Thee to pity us, but our extreme Miſery; nothing to move Thee to ſave us, but our great Unworthineſs, and thy greater Mercy.

O the Depth of the Riches of thy Love! Bleſſed Lord, how unutterable is thy Mercy, and thy Love paſt finding out!

Glory be to Thee, O Thou great Champion of Love, who didſt for our ſakes ſingly encounter all our Ghoſtly Enemies; who didſt thy Self taſt of Death, that Thou mighteſt take away the Sting of Death; who diſt wreſtle with Principalities and Powers, and all the Force of Hell, that we might ſhare in thy Victory: For which Wonders of Love, I will always praiſe and love Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O triumphant Majeſty; who now ſitteſt in full and peaceful Poſſeſſion of Bliſs at the right Hand of God, adored by Angels, and interceeding for Sinners: All our Hopes of Heaven, our Reſurrection, Aſcenſion, and Glorification, depend on, and are derived from Thine; and are all the Trophies of thy Love to us: And there-

therefore I will always praiſe and love Thee.

With all my Heart, O God, I love and praiſe Thee; who art ſo infinitely excellent in thy Self, and ſo full of Love to us, that all I can know or believe of Thee, excites me to adore and love Thee.

Lord, daily encreaſe my Faith, and heighten my Love; that I may believe and love Thee as entirely, as becomes one entirely devoted to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O moſt indulgent Love, for ſending the Holy Spirit in thy ſtead; and for promiſing it to our Prayers: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O Spirit of Love, for ſhedding the Love of God abroad in our Hearts; for filling thoſe that love Thee with Exuberance of Joy and Conſolation: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O bleſſed Spirit, Glory be to Thee, for all the miraculous Gifts and Graces Thou didſt beſtow upon the Apoſtles, to fit them to convert the World; and for inſpiring the ſacred Penmen of holy Scripture.

Glory be to Thee, for inſtilling holy Thoughts into my Soul; for all the ghoſtly Strength and Support, and Comfort and Illumination, I receive from Thee; for all thy preventing,

and reſtraining, inciting, aſſiſting, and ſanctifying Grace: All Glory be to Thee.

O Thou bleſſed Spirit and Comforter, purifie my Soul, and infuſe thy Love into it, and conſecrate it to be thy Temple: And ſet all my Affections on Fire; that my Heart may be a continual Sacrifice of Love offered up to Thee, and the Flame may be ever aſpiring towards Thee.

O ſacred and myſterious Trinity! though I cannot comprehend Thee; yet, I beſeech Thee, accept my humble Adorations of thy infinite and eſſential Glories and Perfections, and my hearty Thankſgivings for the continual Demonſtration of thy Goodneſs to me, and all thy Servants.

Glory be to Thee, O moſt adorable Trinity, for being the joint Authors of our Salvation: Glory be to Thee, O Father, forgiving; O Son, propitiating; O Holy Ghoſt, purifying.

I miſerable Sinner, who ſigh, and pant, and languiſh for thy Forgiveneſs, and to be at Peace with Thee; praiſe, and adore, and love that moſt ſweet and liberal, tender and amiable Mercy, that delights in forgiving and ſaving Sinners.

May thy infinite Goodneſs and Greatneſs, O glorious Lord, be for ever by all Men confeſt, admired, adored, and mag-

magnified, both in private and publick, in our Hearts, our Mouths, and our Lives.

Let the People praiſe Thee, O God; yea, let all the People of the World praiſe Thee.

To God the Father, who firſt loved us, and made us accepted in the Beloved; to God the Son, who loved us, and waſhed us from our Sins in his own Blood; to God the Holy Ghoſt, who ſheds the Love of God abroad in our Hearts; be all Love, and all Glory, for Time, and for Eternity.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord moſt High.

For MONDAY.

For the Love of God.

GLory be to Thee, O great Jehovah; who, to conſtrain us to love and obey Thee, art pleaſed to honour every faithful Soul with a near and intimate Propriety in thy ſelf, and graciouſly to declare, *I am the Lord thy God.*

O gracious Lord, what is it poſſible for me to deſire more, than to have Thee for my God?

If Thou be my God, the Relation ought to be mutual, and I muſt be thy Servant: O be Thou my God, and let me be thy Servant for ever.

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Glorious Jehovah! if Thou be my God, and if I truly love Thee; I can never ſuffer any Creature to be thy Rival, or to ſhare my Heart with Thee; I can have no other God, no other Love, but Thee.

O infinite Goodneſs, Thou art altogether amiable; whatever is amiable beſides Thee, is no farther amiable than it bears ſome Impreſſions on it of thy Amiableneſs: And therefore all Love, all Glory be to Thee alone.

O Thou, who only art worthy to be loved, inſtil into my Soul ſo entire, reverential a Love of Thee, that I may love nothing but for thy ſake, or in ſubordination to thy Love: Let thy Love ſo entirely poſſeſs my Soul, that there may be no Room for any Thing elſe.

My God, what can a Soul enamour'd of Thee, ever deſire but Thee? O let not the World, nor any thing in it, have any Place in my Heart; but withdraw all my Affections from thence, and fix them on Thee.

O my God, Thou art the great Searcher of Hearts, and doſt not only require outward Acts of Duty, but the inward Diſpoſition of the Heart: The Heart is the chief Sacrifice Thou requireſt; the Heart is the proper Seat of thy Love: And therefore I wholly devote my Heart unto Thee.

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O my God, Create in me a clean Heart, that the Fountain of Action being clean, the Streams may run clean alſo.

Give me a Heart, O Thou that only canſt change the Heart, entirely turn'd to Thee; that I thirſting after Thee, as the wearied Hart after the cool Streams, may forſake all the vain Complacencies of the World; refuſe all Societies that are lewd, impious, and uncharitable. Mortifie in me all inordinate Love of ſenſual Pleaſure; and grant that I may deſire nothing but Thee. Let me have no Paſſions, but what may become thy Servant, and a Diſciple of the Holy Jeſus.

My God, let thy heavenly Love be the conſtant Byaſs of my Soul. O may it be the natural Spring and Weight of my Heart; and always move towards Thee.

Turn Thou me, O Lord; and ſo ſhall I be turned. Turn, O Lord, the whole Stream of my Affections, from ſenſual Loves, to the Love of Thee.

O take from me all Affection to Sin and Vanity: Let not my Affections dwell below, but ſoar upwards to the Element of Love: Grant that I may love Thee and whatever Thou loveſt, and hate whatever Thou hateſt; and may know no Loves but the Love of God, and the moſt merciful Jeſus.

O my God, to love and to glorifie thy Name, is the great End of my Creation; which is ſtill more enforced by my Redemption: Let it therefore be the greateſt Buſineſs of my whole Life to love, and to glorifie it, all the poſſible Ways I can; by my Mouth, by my Converſation, by my publick Confeſſion of Thee before Men, even to Death, if ever Thou art pleas'd to call me to it, by engaging all I can to glorifie and love Thee. O happy Life! O bleſſed Death! which is ſpent, and expires, in Glorifying and Loving Thee.

O my God, fix in my Soul an habitual pure Intention of thy Glory in all my Actions; that whether I eat or drink, or whatever I do, I may do all to the Honour of Thee my Beloved.

O bounteous God, to all thy Favours add this one, of making me eſteem Thee above them all: Let nothing ſeem pleaſant to me, but that which is pleaſing to Thee; and let me never think any thing tedious or troubleſome, that may promote thy Glory.

O my good God, keep me always Thine, and let nothing ever be able to divorce me from thy Love. Extinguiſh the impure Flame of Luſt, and whatever evil Inclination Thou ſeeſt in me.

Give me, O Lord, an excellent Spirit, a Spirit active and vigorous in the Performance of my Duty. Raiſe Thou the Powers of my Soul by thy Love; that I may love Thee with all my Heart, praiſe Thee acceptably, and honour Thee unfeignedly all the Days of my Life. Let me have no Life, but in Thee; no Care, but to ſerve, pleaſe, and enjoy Thee; no Ambition, but thy Glory.

O my God, I humbly, I earneſtly pray to Thee, to give me continual Supplies of thy Grace; that I may continue in thy Love to my Life's End; that being faithful unto Death, I may receive the Crown of Life, through the Merits and Mercies of Jeſus thy Beloved. *Amen, Amen.*

For TUESDAY.

A Prayer for Purity and Devotion.

O Eternal Purity; Thou art brighter than the Sun, purer than the Angels; and the Heavens are not clean in thy Sight: With Mercy behold thy Servant, apt to be tempted with every Object, and to be overcome by every Enemy. I cannot, O God, ſtand in the Day of Battle and Danger, unleſs Thou covereſt me with thy Shield, and hideſt me

me under thy Wings; the fiery Darts of the Devil are ready to consume me, unless the Dew of thy Grace for ever descend upon me.

Create in me a clean Heart, O God; and be pleased to preserve me so pure and spotless, that my Body may be a holy Temple, and my Soul a Sanctuary to entertain thy divine Spirit, the Spirit of Purity and Holiness, the Prince of Light and Love.

O let no impure Thoughts pollute, that Soul which God has sanctified; no unclean Words pollute, that Tongue which God has commanded to be an Organ of his Praises; no unholy or unchast Action, pollute that Temple which the holy Jesus hath been pleased to enter, and hath chosen for his Habitation.

Seal up all my Senses from all vain Objects; and let them be entirely possessed with Religion, and fortified with Prudence, Watchfulness, and Mortification.

O my God, let thy purest Love, who art Purity it self, create in me a perfect Abhorrence of all Impurity; that I may purifie my self, as Thou, Lord, art pure.

I know, O holy Lord, I can never be Partaker of the Divine Nature, unless I escape the Pollution that is in the World through Lust. O do Thou there-

therefore cleanſe me from all Filthineſs of Fleſh and Spirit, that I may perfect Holineſs in thy Fear.

Give me Grace to poſſeſs my Veſſel in Sanctification and Honour, and to keep thy Temple holy; that the Spirit of Love may always there inhabit.

O fill my Soul with holy Deſires, Holy as the Thoughts of a Cherubim. Give me Promptneſs and Alacrity to obey Thee, reſembling that of the holy Angels. Give me Purity and Piety, Prudence and Modeſty, like thoſe Excellencies Thou didſt create in the ever-bleſſed Virgin. Grant that my Employment may be always holy, unmixt with worldly Affections; and, as much as my Condition of Life will bear, retired from ſecular Intereſts and Diſturbances; that I may converſe with Angels, and entertain the holy Jeſus in my Soul.

Let me know no Loves but thoſe of Duty and Charity, Obedience and Devotion: That I may for ever run after Thee, who art the King of Virgins; and for whoſe Sake Queens have died, and Kings, with Joy, have laid down their Crowns and Scepters.

Pardon, O good God, all my vain Thoughts, all my Impurities. And grant that I being a Member of Chriſt, may not

not become the Member of a Harlot; neither the Slave of the Devil, nor a Servant of Luſt and unworthy Deſires. But do Thou purifie my Love, and let me ſeek the Things that are above; hating even the Garments ſpotted with the Fleſh. Let me never any more grieve thy Holy Spirit by filthy Inclinations, or with impure & fantaſtick Thoughts: But let my Thoughts be holy, my Soul pure, my Body chaſt and healthful, my Spirit ſevere, devout, and religious, every Day more and more; that at the Day of our Appearing, I may be preſented to God pure and ſpotleſs, being waſhed and cleanſed by the Blood of the Holy Lamb Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen, Amen.*

For WEDNESDAY.

For a holy and uſeful Converſation.

O Eternal God; who madeſt all Things for Man, and Man for thy Glory; Sanctifie my Body and Soul, my Thoughts and my Affections, my Words and Actions, my Paſſions and Intentions; that whatſoever I ſhall think, or do, or ſpeak, may be by me deſigned to the Glorification of thy Name, and by thy Bleſſing may be ſucceſsful and effectual in the Work of God, as far

far as it can be capable. Lord, turn my Neceſſities into Virtue, the Works of Nature into Grace; by making them orderly, regular, temperate, ſubordinate to Ends beyond their own proper Efficacy. And let no Pride or Self-ſeeking, no Covetouſneſs or Revenge, no Vanity or Affectation, no little Ends or low Imaginations, pollute my Spirit, or unhallow any of my Words or Actions: But let my Body be a Servant of my Spirit, and both Body and Spirit Servants of Jeſus; that doing all things for thy Glory here, I may be a Partaker of thy Glory hereafter, through Jeſus Chriſt.

Lord, teach me to watch over all my Ways, that I may never ſin againſt Thee. Set a Watch before my Mouth, and keep the Door of my Lips; that I offend not in my Tongue, either againſt Piety or Charity. Teach me to think of nothing but Thee, and what is in order to thy Glory and Service; to ſpeak of nothing but Thee and thy Glories; and to do nothing but what becomes thy Servant, whom thy infinite Mercy, by the Graces of the holy Spirit, hath ſealed up to the Day of Redemption.

O my God, keep my Love always watchful and on its Guard; that in thy negative Precepts, I may reſiſt all Temptations to Evil: Keep my Love warm with

with an habitual Zeal; that in all thy affirmative Precepts, I may lay hold on all Seaſons, Occaſions, and Opportunities of doing Good.

Let thy Love, O Thou that only art worthy to be beloved, make me careful and induſtrious to perſuade and engage others to love Thee, and to keep thy Commands, as well as my ſelf: O let me ever be ſeeking Occaſions to excite all I can to adore and love Thee.

I know, O holy Lord, Thou needeſt not my Service: But, I beſeech Thee, accept my Ambition of being ſerviceable to Thee, and bleſs me both with Strength and Opportunities for it; and, if it may be thy holy Will, with Succeſs therein.

Fill my Mind, I beſeech Thee, with the nobleſt Thoughts; that I may have ſomething worthy to communicate and impart to thoſe I converſe with. Inſpire my Heart with the devouteſt Affections; that my Behaviour may be a holy Incentive, and may raiſe up holy Flames in the Breaſts of all that are about me.

Lord, let all my Actions be pious and prudent; my ſelf wiſe as a Serpent, and innocent as a Dove; and my whole Life exemplary, juſt, and charitable.

O my God, let all my Actions ſpeak my Love and Obedience to thy Commandments: And Thou having poſſeſſed my Soul, and all my Faculties, during my whole Life; let me poſſeſs thy Glories in the Fruition of a happy Eternity, thro' the infinite Merits of my crucified Saviour.

O Holy Lord, I beſeech Thee, never ſuffer any Perſon to have Cauſe to accuſe their Relation to me, or Acquaintance with me, for betraying them into Sin here, or Miſery hereafter: But grant that all that are under my Care or Power, may receive ſuch wholſome Influence from me, as may nouriſh all Chriſtian Practice among them: And grant, O Lord, that my Behaviour and Example may be ſuch to all, that I may never prove to any an Occaſion of Falling.

Let me never contribute any thing to that Power which Vice has gotten in the World; but with a ſteady Courage oppoſe all Impiety, how cuſtomary or faſhionable ſoever; let me think nothing honourable, but what bears thy Stamp and Impreſs upon it. Engage, and animate, and inflame my benummed Breaſt to the moſt eager and vigorous Endeavours of recovering diſcountenanced Virtue to ſome Eſteem

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and Reputation among Men: And let the Conſciouſneſs of my former great Sloth and Unfaithfulneſs in all Parts of my Stewardſhip, excite me to more diligent and induſtrious Improvement of all thoſe Advantages Thou haſt put into my Hands, for thy Glory, and the Benefit of my Neighbour, and the eternal Joy of my own Soul: Grant this for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

Grant, O gracious Lord, that by an aſſiduous Practice of all Duty, I may arrive to ſuch a Guſt and Reliſh of it, as may ſupplant all ſenſual Delights in my own Heart, and may qualifie me alſo to let others know how ſweet it is to ſerve the Lord: That I may be an effectual, tho' unworthy, Inſtrument of drawing many to the Obedience of Chriſt. And grant that renouncing all the vain Ambitions of this World, I may aſpire to no other Honour but that of being approved by Thee as a good and faithful Servant; that by thy Mercy, having my Infirmities cover'd, and my Sincerity accepted, I may at the laſt be admitted into the Joy of my Lord, through the Merits of my bleſſed Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

O God, the Strength of all that put their Truſt in Thee, mercifully accept my

my Prayers; and becauſe, through the Weakneſs of my mortal Nature, I can do no good Thing without Thee, grant me the Help of thy Grace; that in keeping thy Commandments I may pleaſe Thee both in Will and Deed, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

For THURSDAY.

A Prayer againſt Temptation.

O Almighty and moſt gracious God, the Aid of all that truſt in Thee; look down with an Eye of Mercy and Pity upon me, thy poor Creature, who fly to Thee for Succour.

Thou ſeeſt, O holy Lord, that I am ſet in the Midſt of ſo many and great Dangers, that without thy Help I cannot avoid my Ruin; my ghoſtly Enemies are every Moment ſolliciting, inticing, alluring, or tempting me to Evil: Oh! be merciful to me, ſave, help, and deliver me.

Thou ſeeſt, O my God, how infirm I am; and how ready my own deceitful Heart is to betray it ſelf to the Tempter. Alas! I juſtly ſuſpect my own Weakneſs, I fear the Power and Policy of my Enemies; and therefore do moſt paſſionately and earneſtly beſeech

ſeech Thee, not to leave me to my ſelf; but to ſupport me by thy mighty Grace; and by how much the more I diſcover my Weakneſs, ſo much the more to ſhew forth thy Power in me.

Lord, Thou knoweſt whereof I am made; remember then that I am but Fleſh: And Fleſh, O Lord, is weak and frail; it is thy Spirit, thy Spirit alone, that can uphold me: O eſtabliſh me with thy free Spirit; that no Temptation may ever be able to ſhake my Conſtancy, but that I may continue thy faithful and unfeigned Servant to my Life's End.

O Lord, I beſeech Thee, remember the Frailty of me thy poor Creature, and vouchſafe to keep me wholly and throughout: Direct by thy Wiſdom, ſanctifie by thy Grace, and govern by thy Providence, all the Affections of my Heart, and the Members of my Body: Be pleaſed, O gracious Lord, to preſerve me both in Body and Soul, from Sin and Danger; and aſſiſt me ſo by thy Grace, that I may be enabled to diſcharge all my Duty, and glorifie thy Name. Lord, Thou knoweſt, that my Ways are not in mine own Power; wherefore I commit them to Thee, who art able to bring them to paſs. Thou haſt hitherto been my Succour;

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leave me not, neither forſake me, O God of my Salvation. With-hold not any good Thing from me, becauſe I am unworthy: Nor deal with me as I deſerve; but as I deſire, and hope for. I put my Truſt in no other but Thee; in whom none that hath truſted, was ever diſappointed, or aſhamed. Oh! therefore do not deſpiſe me; nor turn away my Prayers, nor thy Mercy from me; but hear me, and help me, I humbly beſeech Thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

O my God, look down upon thy wretched Pilgrim; and teach me to look up to Thee, and to ſee thy Goodneſs in the Land of the Living. Thou that boughteſt Heaven for me, guide me thither; and for the Price it coſt Thee, for thy Mercies Sake, in ſpite of all Temptations, enlighten Thou my Soul, direct it, crown it.

Dear Jeſus, hear me; and tho' Satan hath deſired to have me, that he may ſift me as Wheat; yet do Thou, O bleſſed Mediator, pray for me, that my Faith fail not. Oh! be Thou my Strength: I being not able, of my Self, to ſtruggle with the ſlighteſt Temptations.

How often have I turned my Back in the Day of Battle? How many Times have I been Confederate with thy Enemies? O my God, ſuffer me no more,

I beſeech Thee, to turn thy Grace into Wantonneſs, to make thy Mercy an Occaſion of Security. Let me no more thus ſtart aſide, like a broken Bow; but do Thou lift up my Hands that hang down, and ſtrengthen my feeble Knees, that I faint not in this Warfare. Oh! grant me Power and Strength to get the Victory, and to triumph over the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil: And to continue thy unfeigned Servant unto my Life's End; that being faithful unto Death, I may receive a Crown of Life, through thy Merits and Mercies, O holy and ever-bleſſed Jeſus. *Amen. Amen.*

O God, I beſeech Thee mercifully to hear my Prayers; and grant, that I may both perceive and know what Things I ought to do, and alſo may have Grace and Power faithfully to fulfil the ſame, through Jeſus Chriſt my Lord. *Amen.*

For FRIDAY.

For Pardon of Sins, and Grace to ſubdue them.

LORD, be merciful to me, a poor, miſerable Sinner: Heal my Soul; for I have grievouſly ſinned againſt Thee. Oh!

Oh! be merciful to my Unrighteouſneſs, hear my Prayers, and accept my Repentance, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

I have ſinned, O Lord God, I have ſinned, and done Evil in thy Sight: I have grievouſly offended Thee, throughout the whole Courſe of my Life, by Omiſſions and Commiſſions, by Ignorance and Preſumption, by Careleſneſs and Vanity. Lord, which of thy Commandments have I not broken? which of thy Ordinances have I not prophaned? which of thy Mercies have I not contemned? Oh me! My whole Life hath been as one continued Act of Sinning againſt Thee. If I pray; 'tis ſo coldly and remiſly, as if I needed not, or cared not to be relieved: If I praiſe Thee with my Lips; yet my Heart is far from Thee. My Faith is weak, my Hope infirm, my Charity little, my real good Works none at all. My Thoughts are wicked and vain, my Words deceitful and impertinent, my Actions trifling, unprofitable, and wicked. (*)

Thus, O Lord, I am become out of Meaſure ſinful: And ſince I have thus choſen Death, and I am moſt worthy to take my Part in it; even in the ſecond Death, the Lake of Fire and Brimſtone. I have given Thee juſt Cauſe to let looſe thy Wrath and Indignation againſt me;

which will be to my utter Ruin, if thy Mercy do not help me.

Lord, my Guilt is evident, my Danger apparent; and my Eſtate, without thy Help, is moſt deplorable: Therefore in this Diſtreſs, I do beſeech Thee to have Mercy upon me; and ſince my Neceſſity forces me to be importunate, I muſt cry again, Have Mercy upon me. I know Thou art a moſt merciful Father; and therefore, tho' by my Sins I am unworthy to be called thy Child, yet I hope thy Bowels will yearn on me. I lie proſtrate before Thee; begging of Thee, for thy dearly beloved Son my Lord Jeſus Chriſt his Sake, and by the Merits of his Croſs and Paſſion, to forgive me freely and fully all that is paſt, from the Beginning of my Life to this very Moment.

My God, I humbly, I earneſtly beg Mercy, Pardon, and Forgiveneſs for all my Sins; Oh! be Thou graciouſly pleaſed to remit them all, and to receive me into thy Favour, for Jeſus Chriſt's Sake. *Amen.*

Lord, make me an Inſtance of thy Mercy: And grant that when I have received ſo excellent and undeſerved a Favour, I may, as engaged thereby, for ever after beware of falling back into the like Sin and Miſery. Convert me, O gracious God, as well as pardon me; and enable

able me moſt obediently to ſerve, and moſt entirely to pleaſe Thee, by ſpending the reſt of my Time in Newneſs of Life, and all holy Converſation. Heal all my Backſlidings, repair all my Breaches, mortifie all my irregular and inordinate Deſires; and ſanctifie me throughout both in Soul and Body. Oh! give me hearty Repentance, and ſincere Contrition for all my Sins paſt; and give me thy preventing and reſtraining Grace for the future; and let me never wilfully offend Thee any more.

O Lord, hear me, and graciouſly anſwer me; and let me not go from thy Preſence without a Bleſſing; a Bleſſing of Pardon and Peace, a Bleſſing of thy Spirit and of thy Grace. Ah! ſpeak Peace to my poor Heart; and let me know and feel, that Thou forgiveſt me. Turn not thy merciful Ears from my Prayers; but hear me, and help me, pardon and accept me; and do for me, and for all thy Servants, abundantly above what we are able to ask or think, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake: To whoſe Interceſſion for me do Thou ſay, Amen; and it ſhall be to me according to thy Word. *Amen. Amen.*

A Form of General Interceſſion.

O Eternal God, who art the Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, and for his Sake inclinable to ſhew us Mercy, relieving all that fly to Thee for Help; Hear the humble Prayers of me thy poor Servant, who am unworthy to ask any Petition for my ſelf, yet in Duty am bound to pray for others. Oh! deſpiſe me not for my Unworthineſs, caſt not out my Prayers, nor turn thy Mercy from me; but hear me, and help me, and accept my poor Petitions, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

Let thy Mercy, O Lord, deſcend upon the whole Race of Mankind, however diſtreſſed, or whereſoever diſperſed over the Face of the whole Earth: Enlighten all that ſit in Darkneſs; all Jews, Turks, Infidels, Atheiſts, and Hereticks: And bring all Sinners to true Repentance, before it be too late. Let that Grace of Thine, O God, which bringeth Salvation, effectually appear to every one of us; teaching us to deny all Ungodlineſs and worldly Luſts, and to live ſoberly, righteouſly, and godly in this preſent evil World.

And in theſe Realms and Dominions, I beſeech Thee, in a ſpecial Manner, ever

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to bleſs thy Servant, our Sovereign Lady Queen *Anne*: Preſerve Her Perſon, and proſper Her Reign; endue Her with all thoſe Gifts and Graces which may make Her a Terror to evil Works, and a great Promoter of thy Glory: Make Her Government a laſting Bleſſing to theſe Kingdoms; that under Her we may lead quiet and peaceable Lives, in all Godlineſs and Honeſty.

Bleſs Her, and all her Royal Relations, with a great Meaſure of all Temporal good Things, and with Eternal Glory in the World to come.

And let thy Bleſſing, O Lord, be upon all Orders and Degrees of Men among us; from the higheſt to the loweſt. Bleſs all the Nobility with true Piety, firm Loyalty, and uncorrupted Policy. Grant that they may excel others as much in Goodneſs, as in Greatneſs; and make them all ſignal Inſtruments of thy Glory, and Examples of every divine Grace and Virtue.

Bleſs all the Judges and Magiſtrates with upright Hearts, fearing Thee, and hating Covetouſneſs.

Bleſs the Gentry and Commonalty with Hearts religious towards Thee their God, Loyal towards the Queen, and loving and charitable to each other.

Bleſs that Part of thy Church, which thine own right Hand has planted, and hitherto (Bleſſed be thy Name) ſo mercifully protected amongſt us: Lord, water it with the Dew of thy heavenly Bleſſing, that it may ſpring and flouriſh ſtill more and more; and let no Weapon, formed againſt it, ever proſper. Aſſert thine own Truth, O God, and maintain thine own Cauſe in the World; and ſuffer not fooliſh Men to blaſpheme thy Name.

Bleſs, O Lord, this great City with Proſperity and Peace: Open our Eyes to ſee, and incline our Hearts, in good earneſt to regard the great Things which truly belong to our Peace; and let us never provoke Thee to hide them from our Eyes.

Have Mercy, O God, upon this ſinful Land and Nation: In Mercy pardon our many great and crying Sins, compoſe our unhappy Differences, blaſt and conſume our Errors and Hereſies; eſtabliſh and ſettle us upon Foundations of Truth and Peace, never to be ſhaken.

Remove the Evils we ſtill lie under; avert thoſe we have juſt Cauſe to fear: And however thou ſhalt think fit to correct us for our Sins; yet never deprive us of the Means of our Reformation. Leave us not to our Selves, to the Luſts of our own Hearts; but appoint what

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Thou ſeeſt moſt apt to reduce us: And that thy outward Applications may be no longer in vain, enforce and enliven them with inward; and by the ſweet Inſinuations of thy bleſſed Spirit ſubdue our obſtinate Perverſeneſs, and give us at the laſt ſuch Grace as we may not turn into Wantonneſs.

O Thou, to whom all Things are poſſible, who haſt done ſo great Things for us, work yet a greater Miracle in us; and of a prophane and ungrateful Nation, make us a holy People, acceptable to Thee. Let all Ranks and Conditions of Men as univerſally and induſtriouſly combine to propitiate, as they have done to provoke Thee; that ſo by bringing forth worthy Fruits of Repentance, we may eſcape thy Wrath, both Temporal and Eternal.

Have Mercy upon all the Sons and Daughters of Affliction; however diſtreſt, in Body or Mind: Thoſe that are afflicted in Conſcience, Good Lord, relieve them; and cauſe Thou the broken Bones again to rejoice: Thoſe that are troubled or perſecuted for Conſcience, Good Lord, ſupport and comfort them under their Sufferings; and grant them a happy Deliverance out of all their Troubles: Thoſe that are afflicted in Body, Good Lord, give them Eaſe;

make Thou all their Beds in their Sickneſs (eſpecially thoſe whoſe Conditions are known to me, or who deſire an Intereſt in the Prayers of the Church) Lord, viſit them with thy Salvation; reſtore them to Joy, Peace, and Comfort, if it be thy bleſſed Will; pardon their Sins, and ſave their Souls, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

Bleſs thine own Portion, the Miniſters of thy ſacred Word and Ordinances, (particularly thoſe to whom I am peculiarly obliged) Make them all burning and ſhining Lights; that they may adorn that holy Religion they profeſs, and put to ſilence the Ignorance of fooliſh Men; and by their good Preaching and holy Living, promote the Glory of thy Name, and the Good of Souls.

And now, Lord, let thy Bleſſing, I beſeech Thee, be upon me, and on all my near Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance (*) Lord, Thou beſt knoweſt all our Conditions, all our Deſires, all our Wants: Oh! be Thou graciouſly pleaſed to ſuit thy Graces and Bleſſings to our ſeveral Neceſſities of Soul and Body.

Depute thy holy Angels to guard our Perſons, thy Holy Spirit to guide our Souls, thy Providence to miniſter to our Neceſſities. Let all things happen to us

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in that Order and Diſpoſition, as may beſt promote thy greateſt Glory and our Duty, our Likeneſs to Chriſt, and the Honour of his Kingdom. And let thy Grace and Mercy preſerve us all from the bitter Pains of eternal Death, and bring us to eternal Life, through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt.

Hear me, O Lord, and graciouſly anſwer me, I humbly beſeech Thee; and do for me, and all thy Servants, abundantly above what we are able to ask or think. Hear me for them, and hear them for me; and hear thy Son our Lord Jeſus Chriſt for us all: In Confidence of whoſe Merits, and Hope of his Mediation, I preſent theſe Supplications to Thee; beſeeching Thee, for his Sake, that they may be be acceptable in thy Sight, and may obtain thy Favour and Bleſſing, even all that Thou ſeeſt neceſſary for our Souls and Bodies, in order to thy Glory, and our Salvation. *Amen.*

O Thou that ſitteſt at the right Hand of God, uſing all thy powerful Intereſt there, in behalf of thy Servants; I beſeech Thee, join thy powerful Interceſſions, with my humble Suits, to the Throne of Grace; that for thy Sake I may be heard and accepted. *Amen. Amen.*

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For SATURDAY.

A Prayer for Humility.

O Holy and gracious Maſter and Saviour Jeſus; who by thy Example haſt taught, and by thy Precepts commanded me to be Meek and Humble, in Imitation of thy incomparable Sweetneſs and great Humility; be pleaſed to give me the Grace, as Thou haſt given me the Commandment.

Oh! mortifie in me all proud Thoughts and vain Opinions of my ſelf; and let me return to Thee the Acknowledgments of all thoſe good Things I have received from Thee; confeſſing I am wholly in Debt to Thee for them; not boaſting my ſelf for what I have received, and for what I am highly accountable.

O my God, make me humbly and thankfully to acknowledge; whence, and how, I have received all that I have, all that I am.

Let not thoſe Advantages I enjoy above others, tempt me to exalt my ſelf, and deſpiſe them; but make me always to remember, and ſeriouſly to conſider, that it is Thou only that makeſt me differ from another.

It is, O Lord, thy reſtraining Grace alone, by which I have been kept back from any the greateſt Sin; and it is thy inciting and aſſiſting Grace alone, by which I have been enabled to do any the leaſt Good: Therefore not unto me, not unto me; but to thy Name be the Praiſe.

Oh! take from me all Vanity, and phantaſtick Complacencies in my own Perſon or Actions; and give me Grace to return all the Glory to Thee.

Let me never ſeek the Praiſe of Men, nor delight in it when it is offered; but fear and tremble, leſt I deſerve Puniſhment, and loſe a Reward which Thou haſt promiſed to thoſe that ſeek thy Glory, and deſpiſe their own.

Thou, O Lord, didſt triumph over Sin and Death; ſubdue alſo my Pride and Vanity, that I be not puffed up to contemn my Brethren, nor uſe any of the Gifts Thou beſtoweſt upon me, to their Diſcouragement; but grant that, with true Modeſty and Lowlineſs of Mind, I may ever ſeek the Profit and the Peace of all, and eſteem my ſelf inferior to all, by a deep Senſe of my Sins and Unworthineſs.

Thou, Lord, haſt ſaid, that he that humbleth himſelf, ſhall be exalted: Oh! let this gracious Promiſe encourage me to follow Thee in thy Humility; that I

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may in all Things obey thy Laws, and conform my ſelf to thy Precedents, and at laſt enter into thy Inheritance, for thy Merits and Mercies Sake, O holy and eternal Jeſus. *Amen.*

I am ſenſible, O Lord, how unable I am to perform, or attain any thing that is good, without thy Aid: For which I humbly look up to Heaven; diſtruſting my Self, and confiding wholly in the Power of the Lord Jeſus; who is preſent, by his Holy Spirit, to all thoſe that place their Strength and Confidence in his Almighty Grace. Oh! grant me a lively Senſe of my entire Dependance upon thy Bounty; and of my Unworthineſs to enjoy the leaſt of thoſe Favours Thou haſt beſtowed upon me. Increaſe all thy Gifts and Graces in me; that I may every Day grow more fit for thy Service, and be more capable of promoting thy Honour and Glory: And grant that, after a diligent Improvement of all thoſe Talents Thou haſt entruſted me with, I may at laſt be received into the Joy of my Lord: Grant this for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen.*

O God, who ſeeſt that I put not my Truſt in any thing that I do; mercifully accept my Prayers: And becauſe, through the Weakneſs of my mortal Nature,

Nature, I can do no good Thing without Thee, grant me the Aſſiſtance of thy Grace; that in Keeping thy Commandments, I may pleaſe Thee both in Will and Deed, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen. Amen.*

For SUNDAY.

A Prayer for Heavenly-mindedneſs.

O Infinite Love! it is my Duty and my Happineſs to love Thee; but alas! my own ſad experience teaches me, how little able I am to love.

Ah! Lord, there is a dark Cloud of Ignorance ſpread over my Soul, that intercepts thy Beams; I cannot clearly ſee, I cannot fully know, how lovely Thou art.

Ah! Lord, whenever any Gleams of thy Lovelineſs break in upon my Spirit, and attract my Will, a Crowd of ſtrange Loves importune and tempt me to wander after them.

Since, O my God, I can of my ſelf neither know, nor love Thee; ſince I cannot by my own Strength do thoſe Things Thou requireſt, nor think ſo much as one good Thought; whither ſhall I fly, but only to thy free and unbounded Goodneſs? Thou art my Hope, my

my Help, and my Salvation; Thou only canſt teach and enable me to know, and to love thy own Goodneſs.

Oh! Lord, that I could wait and long for thy Salvation. Oh! that I could ſo mind the Things above, as to be a Stranger in Affections to the Things below.

Oh, that my Soul could be wrapt up to Heaven in Deſire: Or that mine Eyes, by the Light of Faith, could ſee but a Glympſe of the Heavenly Glory! How ſhould I trample upon theſe poor Vanities of the Earth! How willingly ſhould I endure all Sorrows, all Torments! How ſcornfully ſhould I paſs by all Pleaſures! How ſhould I long for my Diſſolution!

I have ſeen enough of this Earth; and I have loved it too much. Oh! let me now ſee Heaven; and love it ſo much more, as the Things there are more worthy to be loved.

Alas! Lord, it is my Miſery, that I love my Pain; how long ſhall theſe Vanities thus beſot me? It is Thou only, that canſt turn away mine Eyes from regarding theſe Follies, and my Heart from affecting them: Thou only; who, as Thou wilt one Day receive my Soul into Heaven, ſo now before-hand, canſt fix my Soul upon Heaven and Thee. Oh! carry it up therefore; Thou that haſt created, and redeemed it, carry it

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up to thy Glory. Let me not always be thus dull and brutiſh; let not theſe Scales of earthly Affections always dim and blind my Eyes: Illuminate them from above; and in thy Light let me ſee Light.

My God, look down upon thy wretched Pilgrim; and teach me to look up to Thee, and to ſee thy Goodneſs in the Land of the Living. O Thou that haſt prepared a Place for my Soul, prepare my Soul for that Place; prepare it with Holineſs, prepare it with Deſire; and while it ſojourns on Earth, let it dwell in Heaven with Thee, beholding ever the glorious Beauty of thy Face.

O Thou whom my Soul loveth; ſince Thou haſt left the World, what was there ever in it worthy of our Love? Ah! let all my Affections aſcend after Thee, and never return to the Earth more: For whom have I in Heaven, but Thee? and there is none upon Earth that I deſire in Compariſon of Thee.

O moſt glorious God, tho' Thou filleſt all Places, yet thy Glory is moſt manifeſted in Heaven, and there thy Majeſty does moſt illuſtriouſly dwell; and to thy Throne there are we to lift up our Hearts, when we pray. Let

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my Soul therefore fly up to Thee, when I pray, in heavenly Thoughts, Deſires, and Love: And let me ſavour nothing of Earth, whenever I treat with Thee in Heaven.

Lord, give me Grace, in Imitation of the bleſſed Spirits above, to ſet Thee always before me. Raviſh my Soul with a lively Senſe of thy Amiableneſs. Ah! vouchſafe me one ſhort Glympſe of thy Goodneſs. Oh! that I could once taſt and ſee, how Gracious Thou art; that all Things elſe might become taſtleſs to me: Then would my Deſires be always flying up to Thee: Then I ſhould render Thee Love, Praiſe, and Obedience, pure and chearful, conſtant and zealous, univerſal and uniform; like that the holy Angels render Thee in Heaven.

O my God, let the Love of Thee and heavenly Things ſo entirely poſſeſs my Heart, and all my Affections, that there may be no room left for earthly Vanities. Fill my Heart with Thankſgivings for the Bleſſings, Praiſes of the Excellencies, Adoration of the Majeſty, and a Zeal for the Glory of Thee my Beloved.

Oh! that I could forget all other Things whenever I preſent my ſelf before Thee, my God; that I could aſcend in my Thoughts, Deſires, and Reſolutions,

ſolutions, to Heaven, where Jeſus is; and when I come down again to converſe with Things below, could look upon them with Contempt: To this End I beſeech Thee, fill every Faculty of my Soul with Devotion, that I may be poſſeſt with Zeal and religious Affections; loving Thee above all Things in this World, worſhiping Thee with the humbleſt Adorations, and frequent Addreſſes; continually feeding upon the Apprehenſions of thy divine Sweetneſs and infinite Excellencies, and Obſervations of all thy righteous Commandments; that at laſt, from this deliciouſneſs of Employment, I may paſs into the Society of Saints and Angels, whoſe Work it is, with eternal Joy and Thankſgiving, to ſing Praiſes to him that ſits upon the Throne, to the Holy Spirit, and to the Lamb for ever: To whom be aſcribed, as is moſt due, all Honour and Praiſe, Dominion and Thanks, by all Angels, and all Men, and all Creatures; now, and to all Eternity. *Amen. Amen.*

Grant, I beſeech Thee, Almighty God, that like as I do believe thine only begotten Son, the Lord Jeſus Chriſt, to have aſcended into the Heavens; ſo I may alſo in Heart and Mind thither aſcend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth

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and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghoſt, one God, World without End. *Amen.*

For MONDAY.

For Grace to ſpend our Time well.

O Almighty God, who madeſt all Things for Man, and Man for thy Glory; and haſt created me to ſerve Thee in this Generation according to my Capacity; give me Grace that I may be a curious and a prudent Spender of my Time; ſo that I may prevent or reſiſt all Temptations, and be profitable to the Chriſtian Common-wealth; and by diſcharging all my Duty, may glorifie thy Name.

O take from me all Slothfulneſs; and give me a diligent and an active Spirit, and Wiſdom to chuſe my Employment; that I may do Works proportionable to my Perſon, and the Dignity of a Chriſtian; and may fill up all the Spaces of my Time with Actions of Religion, Devotion, and Charity.

Lord, ſince thy gracious Providence has placed me in a State of more Eaſe and Vacancy than ſome others; Oh! let me not pervert it by a Life of Idleneſs and Senſuality; let me not be leſs, but better

ter buſied than they: Let me never incur the Guilt or Reproach of being more remiſs and indifferent in my Intercourſe with Thee, than others are in their Traffick with the World; but let me be always acting ſomething of thy Will.

O holy Lord, who madeſt all Things for thy Glory; I beſeech Thee, ſuffer not me to live an unprofitable Part of thy Creation; but give me Grace induſtriouſly to improve my Time, ſo as may be moſt for thy Glory.

Thou haſt created, redeemed, and ſanctified me, for thy holy Love, Praiſe, and Service: Oh! let thy Love, thy Praiſe, and Service, be the very Nature of my Soul, and the Employment and Pleaſure of my whole Life.

I crave no other Pleaſure or Felicity in this Life, than to know and love Thee more, and to be made inſtrumental in the Promoting thy Glory.

I beſeech Thee, O Lord, to inſpirit me by thy Grace; that I may not only approve, but obey thy Commands; that I may conquer all the Diſcouragements of Sloth or Vice, and cheerfully ſet to the Practice of all Chriſtian Duty; that ſo I may experimentally find how ſweet the Lord is.

Let it be my chiefeſt Study and Delight, in all Things to pleaſe Thee, to pro-

promote thy Kingdom, and to do thy Will. Let nothing ſeem pleaſant to me, but that which is pleaſing to Thee: And let me never think any Thing tedious, or troubleſome, that may promote thy Glory.

O bleſſed Jeſus, who from thy very Infancy, didſt make it thy whole Employment to do thy Father's Will, kindle in me a forward Zeal for thy Glory; that I may conſecrate all my Endeavours to thy Service, and make it the great Buſineſs of my Life to know and fear, to love and obey my heavenly Father.

Grant, Lord, I beſeech Thee, that in whatever State Thou art pleas'd to place me, I may diſcharge all my Duty, and glorifie thy Name. Make me an Inſtrument of thy Glory, by ſerving Thee faithfully, and doing Good in my Generation.

Oh! let me never fall under the Sentence of the ſlothful and wicked Servant: But grant me ſo to employ my Time, and all other Talents Thou haſt intruſted me with; that when Thou ſhalt call me to give an Account of my Stewardſhip, I may do it with Joy, and not with Grief. Grant this, O gracious Lord, for thy Son Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

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O God, the Protector of all that truſt in Thee, without whom nothing is ſtrong, nothing is holy, increaſe and multiply upon me thy Grace and Mercy; that Thou being my Ruler and Guide, I may ſo paſs through Things temporal, that I finally loſe not the Things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

For TUESDAY.

A Prayer for Wiſdom.

O Holy Lord, who haſt graciouſly proclaimed to the World, that whoever wants Wiſdom ſhould ask it of Thee; who neither denieſt, nor upbraideſt; I beſeech Thee, incline thine Ears to the hearty Deſires of me thy poor Servant. Lord, I want Heavenly Wiſdom to conceive aright of Heavenly Things: I want it; and I humbly ask it of Thee: Oh! give me Grace to ask it inſtantly; and give me, according to thy Promiſe, abundantly.

I bleſs and praiſe Thee, O my gracious God, for all the Helps to Learning and Piety, all the Means of Grace, and Incentives of thy Love Thou haſt mercifully afforded me: And I beſeech Thee, give me Grace ſo to improve them

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to thy Glory; that they may never upbraid me.

Poſſeſs me, I beſeech Thee, with right Notions and Apprehenſions of Thee. And bleſs me alſo with ſuch Integrity of Heart; that I may both have the Peace of a good Conſcience, which is a continual Feaſt, and be filled likewiſe with Joy in the Holy Ghoſt, out of a Senſe of thy divine Favour to me, which is better than Life it ſelf.

Deliver me both from unprofitable Sadneſs, and from vain Mirth; and help me to acquire an equal Tranquillity of Mind, and a becoming Cheerfulneſs of Spirit. Bear me up, I beſeech Thee, above all the Afflictions which may befal me, by the Joys of Faith, Hope, and Love; that ſo I may recommend the Religion of our Lord Jeſus to all others; and teſtifie to all the World, by my Alacrity in doing and ſuffering his bleſſed Will, that his Yoke is eaſie, and his Burden light.

My Hope is, that Thou, Lord, who haſt never failed thoſe that ſeek Thee, wilt perfect that which concerneth me, and not forſake the Works of thine own Hands. It is Thou whom my Soul ſeeketh, that I may have a more lively and prevailing Senſe of Thee; that I may moſt ardently love Thee, and conſtantly

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adhere to thy Will, and do Thee Honour by a cheerful Obſervance of all thy Commandments.

They are not the Things which Thou haſt never promiſed, which I come to beg of Thee; Riches, Honours, long Life, or the reſt of the Goods of this World; (for which I refer my ſelf to thy Wiſdom, to give me what Portion of them Thou pleaſeſt:) But thy Holy Spirit I moſt earneſtly implore; which my Saviour hath told me, Thou wilt as readily beſtow on thoſe that ask it, as a tender-hearted Parent will give Food to his hungry Children when they cry to him. I deſire only, that thy own Life may be nouriſhed and protected in me, and vanquiſh all its Enemies; and be completed in a bleſſed Immortality.

I beg of Thee more of the Graces of Humility and Modeſty, Patience and Charity, Purity and Devotion; and whatever Thou ſeeſt wanting in me, and neceſſary for me, in order to thy Glory and my Soul's Good. Let, I pray Thee, thy merciful Kindneſs in theſe Things be for my Comfort, according to thy Word unto thy Servant. I entreat thy Favour with my whole Heart: Oh! be merciful to me, according to thy Word; which hath pronounced thoſe bleſſed that hunger and thirſt after Righ-

teouſneſs, and promiſed they ſhall be filled. Fill me with Goodneſs, and all the Fruits of Righteouſneſs. And fill me with all Joy and Peace, in Believing that Thou wilt never leave me, nor forſake me; but wilt make me perfect, ſtabliſh, ſtrengthen, ſettle me; and be my God for ever and ever, my Guide even unto Death.

And grant that the nearer I draw to that eternal World; I may be the more pure and ſeparated from all earthly Mixtures, have the clearer Sight and Proſpect of my Happineſs, attain the greater Aſſurance of thy Love, and be the fuller of Joy in Hope of thy Glory. Pity my preſent Weakneſs, increaſe my Strength; help me not only to reſiſt, but to overcome all Temptations; enable me to diſcharge the Duties of my ſeveral Relations: Fit me for all Varieties of Conditions; that ſo, in whatever State Thou ſhalt be pleaſed to place me, I may ſerve Thee faithfully, and do Good in my Generation; and may daily improve in all divine Qualities, till I come to an unchangeable Goodneſs and Happineſs in the Regions of Joy and Glory.

O Holy Lord Jeſus, Bleſs me, I beſeech Thee, with all Abilities of Mind and Body, which may make me daily in-

increaſe in whatſoever is good and Praiſe-worthy: But above all, bleſs me with Wiſdom from above, and give me thy holy Spirit to aſſiſt and enlighten me; that as I grow in Age, I may grow in Grace, and in Favour with God and Man; and every Day be more and more conformable to thy unſinning and divine Example. *Amen*, Lord Jeſus, *Amen. Amen.*

For WEDNESDAY.

A Prayer againſt Failings.

O Thou moſt compaſſionate Saviour of ſinful Man, look down from Heaven, and have Mercy upon me, wretched Sinner: Oh! ſave me: Oh! help me; for, without Thee, I can do nothing as I ought.

Miſerable Wretch that I am! my very Prayers and Repentance, even the beſt of all my Performances, are accompanied with ſo many Failings, that I am ſometimes afraid that Thou, Lord, wilt not hear ſuch Prayers, nor regard ſuch Repentance.

None can love Thee, O my God, and endeavour to keep thy holy Commandments, but his daily Failings in his Duty, his frequent, involuntary, and una-

voidable Slips, Interruptions, and Wandrings, afflict and humble him; the Infirmities of lapsed Nature create him a kind of perpetual Martyrdom; because he can love Thee no more, because he can so little serve Thee.

But, Thou, O most compassionate Father, in thy Covenant of Grace, dost require Sincerity, not Perfection; and therefore I praise and love Thee.

O my God; tho' I cannot love and obey Thee as much as I desire, I will do it as much as I am able; I will endeavour to keep all thy Commandments with my whole Heart, and to the End: Oh! accept of my imperfect Duty; and supply all the Defects of it by the Merits, and Love, and Obedience of Jesus thy Beloved.

I most humbly beseech thy divine Goodness, accept of those sincere Desires that Thou hast wrought in me: Graciously accept of these Pantings of my Soul after a freer, and more delightful, Converse with Thee. And pity the great Weakness and Dulness of my Nature, which will not always maintain within me, nor permit to continue long, such Ardors of Love as, by thy Grace, I sometimes feel in my Heart towards Thee. Pity, Oh! pity and take Compassion on me, when I am so heavy,

as not to be able to lift up my Eyes to Heaven; or when I move ſo ſlowly, as if I had no Mind to ſerve Thee, in Works of Piety, Righteouſneſs, and Charity.

Oh! poſſeſs my Heart with ſuch a mighty Love to Thee, as may ſet Thee always before me; carry forth my Soul in ardent Deſires after Thee, and fill me with an humble Confidence in Thee.

Make me watchful, active, and zealous in my Duty; and never ſuffer me to diſtruſt thy Pity and Indulgence, when I unwillingly offend Thee: And aſſure me of thy kind Intentions towards me, in all the croſs Accidents of my Life.

Maintain in me ſuch cheerful Thoughts of Thee, that Religion may be my Delight, as much as it is my Duty, and I may always approach Thee with a joyful Heart; being glad to leave the Company of all other Things, to go to Thee, my God, my exceeding Joy.

Pardon, O good God, the Unaffectedneſs of my dull Heart; and imprint on my Soul, an awful Senſe of thy divine Majeſty; that I may ſhew a due regard to all the Parts of thy Worſhip, and may now and always attend upon Thee, with that profound Humility, becoming Reverence, and affective Devotion, that becomes

comes a frail Creature, a miſerable Sinner, before his Creator and his Judge.

Oh! raiſe Thou my Devotion to the higheſt Pitch it can poſſibly reach, to praiſe Thee; enlarge my Soul to its utmoſt Extent, to love Thee.

O boundleſs Love! when ſhall I love Thee in Heaven, without Coldneſs or Interruption! which, alas! too often ſeize me here below.

When, O my God; Oh! when ſhall I have the tranſporting Viſion of thy moſt amiable Goodneſs, that I may unalterably love Thee; that I may never more offend Thee?

I cannot here attend thy Service one Minute without Diſtraction. Oh! when ſhall that Happy Day come, when all this wretched Worldlineſs removed, I ſhall ſolace my ſelf in my God?

O Thou whom my Soul loveth, I would not deſire Heaven, but becauſe Thou art there; for Thou makeſt Heaven wherever Thou art. I would not, O Jeſus, deſire Life everlaſting, but that I may there everlaſtingly love Thee.

O inexhauſtible Love, do Thou eternally breath Love into me, that my Love to Thee may be eternally encreaſing, and tending towards Infinity; ſince a Love leſs than Infinite is not worthy of Thee.

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O moſt gracious Lord Jeſus, do Thou pity me, and accept my weak and imperfect Performances; and ſupply, by thy boundleſs Mercy, all the Defects in my Duty: And it being thy Pleaſure that I ſhould ſerve Thee better; O Lord God, increaſe my Succours of Grace, and I ſhall then increaſe my Obedience.

O Thou Lover of Souls, for the Sake of that infinite Compaſſion of Thine, which moved Thee to die for me; Hear me, and Help me. *Amen*, O bleſſed Lord Jeſus, *Amen. Amen.*

For THURSDAY.

A Prayer for Temperance.

O Gracious and bountiful Lord God, who haſt of thy great Goodneſs provided plentifully for me, thy unworthy Servant; not only what is ſufficient to ſatisfie all my Needs, but a pleaſant and comfortable Subſiſtence, above what Thou affordeſt to Multitudes of others; I beſeech Thee, give me ſuch a Senſe of thy indulgent Kindneſs to me, as may expreſs it ſelf in a thankful and zealous Obedience: And grant, that in the Strength of thy Proviſions, I may cheerfully, actively, and diligently ſerve Thee.

O bounteous God, to all thy Favours add this one, of making me eſteem Thee above them all. Oh! never let any Thing which Thou deſigneſt for my Wealth, be to me an Occaſion of Falling: But give me an entire Victory over my Senſual Appetites, that I may hunger for the Food of Angels, and thirſt for the Wine of elect Souls; and may count it my Meat, and Drink, and Pleaſure, to do thy Will, O God.

Pardon me, O good God, in whatſoever I have offended Thee, by Meat, or Drink, or Pleaſure; and let me never wilfully offend Thee any more.

Lord let me eat and drink, ſo that my Food may not become a Temptation, or a Sin, or a Diſeaſe: And grant that I may watch over my Appetite, with ſo much Caution and Prudence, that (as in the Strength of thy Mercies and Refreſhments) ſo in the Light of thy Countenance, and the Paths of thy Commandments, I may walk before Thee all the Days of my Life, acceptable to Thee by Jeſus Chriſt; ever advancing his Honour, and being filled with his Spirit; that I may at laſt partake of his Glory, through the ſame Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Charity.

O Moſt gracious Lord God, whoſe Goodneſs extendeth unto all, but hath in an extraordinary Meaſure abounded towards me, thy unworthy Servant; let thy unwearied and tender Love to me, make my Love unwearied and tender to my Neighbour, and zealous to procure, promote, and preſerve his Health and Safety, Life and Happineſs; that he may be the better able to ſerve and love Thee.

O my God, make me like thine own Self; all Meekneſs and Benignity, all Goodneſs and Sweetneſs, all Gentleneſs and Long-ſuffering.

Give me to be full of good Wiſhes and Compaſſion, Liberal in Alms-giving, (according to my Ability,) and ready to ſuccour and relieve, comfort, reſcue, and pray for, all whom either thy Love, or their own Neceſſities, Miſeries, or Dangers, recommend to my Charity.

Oh! let thy Love, Thou God of Love, make me peaceful and reconcilable, always ready to return Good for Evil, and eaſie to forgive; unleſs in thoſe Inſtances, where the Impunity of the Criminal would be Injuſtice, and Cruelty to the Publick.

O Thou Lover of Souls, let thy Love raise in me a compassionate Zeal to save the Life, the eternal Life of Souls; and by friendly, affectionate, and seasonable Advice, or Reproof, to reclaim the Wicked, and to win them to love Thee.

O my gracious Lord, let thy all-powerful Love abound in my Heart, and in the Hearts of all that profess thy Name; that in these, and in all other possible Instances of Duty, our Lives may be continually employed to love and serve Thee; and for thy Sake, to love our Neighbour; and to excite our Neighbour to love Thee. *Amen*, O infinite Love. *Amen. Amen.*

For FRIDAY.

Prayers preparatory to the Holy Sacrament.

Before Examination.

O Thou great Searcher of Hearts, Thou knowest all that Load of Impiety and Guilt under which I lie; Oh! help me so impartially to judge and condemn my self, so humbly to repent and beg Pardon, that I may not be condemned at thy Tribunal, when I shall appear

pear there at the laſt Day; but may be ſet at thy right Hand, among thy Lovers.

Lord, give me Grace to ſearch every Secret of my Heart, to leave no Sin, if poſſible, unrepented of. Oh! diſcover to me all the Evils and Deceits of my own Heart; that I may confeſs, bewail, and forſake them, and obtain Mercy, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

After having carefully peruſed the Form of Self-Examination, *in* the Whole Duty of Man, *or that in the* Manual *for* Winchester Scholars, *theſe Prayers may be added; in which it will be expedient to confeſs particularly, thoſe Sins we have remarked in the Examination.*

O Lord God, who willeſt not that any ſhould periſh, but that all ſhould come to Repentance; bring me, I beſeech Thee, to a ſincere Repentance; ſuch as Thou wilt accept, who trieſt the Heart.

O Lord, whatever Thou denieſt me, deny me not a broken and a contrite Heart. Oh! that I could weep much, and love much; having ſo much to be forgiven. Lord, aſſiſt and accept me, for Jeſus Chriſt's Sake. *Amen.*

A Form of Confession.

O Thou moſt juſt and righteous Lord, who canſt not behold Evil without Indignation; I beſeech Thee, hide thy Face from my Sins; which are ſo many, and ſo great, that I may juſtly fear they will bring ſome heavy Judgment on me, and occaſion my final Condemnation. Oh! blot out of thy Remembrance all my Iniquities; and then I ſhall be ſafe: For it is in thy Power, for ever to acquit, or condemn me.

It grieves me, O moſt great and glorious God, it grieves me; that I have ſinned againſt ſo infinite a Power and Goodneſs: For this I lament and mourn; and my Heart is wounded within me.

I confeſs, O Lord, with Shame and Sorrow, I confeſs; that I have ſinned, and done very wickedly. I have grievouſly offended Thee, throughout the whole Courſe of my Life. My Childhood and Youth have not only been Vanity, but Sin. My Corruptions grew up with me: And my Sins ſince are become ſo much the more ſinful, by how much the more Knowledge I have had of thy Will, and Strength and Engagements to perform it.

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To this very Day, I have daily broke thy holy Laws, in Thought, Word, and Deed; by chooſing what Thou haſt forbidden, and neglecting what Thou haſt commanded. In all my Ways I miſerably tranſgreſs. Thoſe few good Things I do, have many, not only Infirmities, but Sins in them: So that I have need to repent, even of the very beſt of all my Performances.

How heedleſs, dull, and indifferent have I been! I have ſerved Thee hypocritically with my Lips alone, and entertained vain and wicked Thoughts, even in the Time of thy moſt ſolemn Worſhip.

I have uſed thy glorious Name vainly, and irreverently. I have miſpent thy holy Day; and neglected, and prophaned, thy Houſe and Service.

I have diſhonoured my Superiors, and neglected my Inferiors; and have not diſcharged the Duty of my Place and Station, as I ought; but have grievouſly tranſgreſſed, particularly (*)

I have not improved thoſe Helps and Advantages thy great Goodneſs has afforded me, either of growing in Grace my Self, or of being helpful and uſeful to thoſe about me; but have fooliſhly, and vainly, miſpent my Time; abuſed thy Grace, and reſiſted the Motions of thy holy Spirit.

Lord

Lord, I have abuſed thy Mercy, deſpiſed thy Judgments, and turned thy Grace into Wantonneſs: I have been unthankful for thy infinite Loving-kindneſs. I am vile and vain, trifling and worldly, * ——— And after all my good Reſolutions and Promiſes, I am ſtill too prone to be * ——

I confeſs, O Lord, with Shame and Sorrow, that by theſe and many other Ways, I have grievouſly tranſgreſſed and provoked Thee, my moſt gracious and long-ſuffering God, to Wrath and Indignation againſt me; inſomuch that if Thou ſhouldeſt recompence me according to my Deſervings, Thou mighteſt juſtly withdraw all thy Graces and Bleſſings from me, and leave me to periſh in my Folly. To me, O Lord God, to me belongs nothing but Shame, and everlaſting Confuſion. Only to Thee belongs Mercy and Forgiveneſs; only to Thee therefore do I flee for Forgiveneſs; humbly beſeeching Thee, who art the God of Mercy, to be merciful to me a miſerable Sinner.

I lament, O Lord God, my deteſtable Impiety; in having ſo long, ſo often, ſo obſtinately, and ſo vainly offended Thee. O Thou moſt gracious and reconcileable Lord, pity and pardon, and reſtore me to thy Favour.

Wo is me, miſerable Wretch! that I, the Work of thy Hands, ſhould ſin againſt Thee, my Maker: That I, the Price of thy Blood, ſhould ſin againſt Thee, my Jeſus, who hadſt ſo much Love as to be content to die for me: That I, the choſen Temple of the Holy Ghoſt, ſhould ſin againſt Him that ſanctified me.

Wo is me, ungrateful Wretch! that I ſhould ſo ſlight the Goodneſs of my gracious God, and make ſuch unworthy and baſe Requitals for all his infinite Kindneſs.

Lord, I confeſs, I have deſerved to be ſcorned and rejected of Thee. It were juſt with Thee, to puniſh me with all Shame and Miſery in this Life, and with eternal Torments in the World to come.

But I beſeech Thee, O Lord, that Thou wilt not conſider nor weigh what is due for my Deſervings, but rather what becometh thy Mercy; without which, even the Angels in Heaven cannot ſtand before Thee; much leſs we, ſilly Veſſels of Clay.

Have Mercy upon me, O moſt gracious Lord, who art eaſie to be entreated. Not that I am worthy of thy Mercy; but give Thou this Honour to thine own Name: Let not Satan triumph in thy Spoils, or inſult over my Soul, which is thy purchaſe.

Oh!

Oh! deliver not my Soul into the Power of Hell; but ſave me as a Brand pluck'd out of the Fire: For tho' I have deſerved to periſh, yet what profit is there in my Blood; or who ſhall give Thee Thanks in that bottomleſs Pit?

Let me live in thy Sight, O my God; let me live, that my Soul may praiſe Thee.

Look not upon me, as I am a Sinner; but conſider me as I am thy Creature. Forget me, as I am Diſobedient, provoking Thee to Wrath, and regard me as I am diſtreſſed, crying out to Thee for Help.

Though I am weak, though I am unworthy, though I am unprofitable; yet I am thy Servant: And here, upon my bended Knees, I humbly pray, that I may live and die ſo.

Lord, Thou knoweſt, that nothing is ſo terrible to me as thy dreadful Diſpleaſure. Oh! deliver me from my Sins, and from the Wages of my Sins, thy Wrath, and everlaſting Damnation: In the Time of my Tribulation, in the Hour of Death, and in the Day of Judgment, Good Lord, deliver me.

Hear me, O Lord, hear me; and do not repay my Neglects of thy Calls, by refuſing to hear me in the Time of my greateſt Need: Do not repay my Careleſneſs

leſneſs and Indevotion, by rejecting my Prayers.

What, if Thou ſeeſt nothing in me but Miſery and Vileneſs, which might move Anger and Fury: Behold the Merits of thy Son; and Thou ſhalt ſee enough to move Thee to Mercy and Forgiveneſs. My Diſobedience hath deſerved a great Revenge; but his Obedience merits a far more exceeding Weight of Mercy: For what can Man deſerve to ſuffer, which God made Man, cannot merit to have forgiven?

Therefore, O moſt gracious Lord, I beſeech Thee, for the Sake of the bitter Death and bloody Paſſion of thy dear Son Jeſus Chriſt, to pardon and forgive me all my Sins; all the Errors and Vanities, the Omiſſions and Commiſſions, the Coldneſs and Careleſneſs, the ſinful Defects and Failings I have been guilty of this Day, or at any time before; and deliver me from the Curſe and Vengeance that is due to me for them: And through his Merits, make me, O Lord, a Partaker of thy Mercy.

It is thy Mercy, thy Pardon, thy Favour and Grace, I moſt earneſtly implore: O deny not, I humbly beſeech Thee, but graciouſly incline thine Ears to my poor Petitions.

I do

I do not deny my Debts; nor ſtand upon my Innocence: But before Thou ſummoneſt me, I pray Thee, that Thou wilt not enter into Judgment, nor reckon ſtrictly with me, thy poor and unworthy Servant, who acknowledge my Guilt, and rely on thy Mercy as my only Plea. Oh! therefore, do not deſpiſe me, nor turn away my Prayers, nor thy Mercy from me; but hear me, and accept me, and receive me into thy Favour, for Jeſus Chriſt's Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

O Almighty God, who art always more ready to hear, than we to pray; and art wont to give more than either we deſire or deſerve; pour down upon me the Abundance of thy Grace and Mercy: Forgiving me thoſe Things whereof my Conſcience is afraid; and giving me thoſe good Things which I am not worthy to ask, but through the Merits and Mediation of Jeſus Chriſt thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

For FRIDAY *Evening.*

A Prayer for Grace to ſubdue our Sins.

O Lord, I proſtrate my ſelf before Thee in all Humility; imploring thy divine Aſſiſtance, in the Subduing thoſe

those Enemies that daily assault me. The Flesh evermore rebelleth against the Spirit in me; and the Infirmities of my Nature are too strong, for me of my self to conquer. Behold, how my Frailties fight against my Soul, and have wounded me before Thee! Oh! shall my Sins be stronger than thy Grace; or the Errors of my Life more powerful than thy Laws? Pity my Irregularities, O Lord; and forgive my Crimes. How long shall I groan under the Bondage of Sin, and weary Thee too with the Burden of my Corruptions? Thou delightest to pardon Sins; and shall mine remain? Thou desirest not the Death of thy Creatures; and shall I be forsaken? I cannot live without Thee; nor enjoy the Comfort of my very Being, till Thou revive me. It would be better I had never been, than to lose Thee; and better I should be no more for ever, than not to regain and find Thee. Return, O Thou Comfort of my Soul; and fill me with thy Love: Purge the Stains, and wash away the Blemishes of my Life, with my Saviour's Blood; renew and quicken my Spirit, with the Influences and Joys of thy Holy Spirit. Sanctifie my Will with a pleasing Obedience unto Thine. Let the Merits of my Saviour's Righteousness benefit my Soul.

Cloath

Cloath me with Innocence, and Purity here, and Immortality hereafter. Lord, hear me, and help me, and receive me into thy Favour, for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Preparation before the Sacrament.

GLory be to Thee, O crucified Lord, who at thy last Supper didst institute the holy Eucharist, the Sacrament and Feast of Love.

It was for the continual Remembrance of the Sacrifice of thy Death, and the Benefits we receive thereby, that Thou wast pleased to ordain this sacred and awful Right: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

I know, O my Lord, that a bare Remembrance of Thee is not enough: Oh! do Thou therefore fix in me such a Remembrance of Thee, as is suitable to the infinite Love I am to remember; work in me all those holy and heavenly Affections, and Qualifications, which become the Remembrance of a crucified Saviour.

O holy Jesus; when at thy Altar I see the Bread broken, and the Wine poured out; teach me to discern thy Body there. Oh! let those sacred and significant Actions create in me a most lively Remembrance

membrance of thy Sufferings; how thy moſt holy Body was ſcourged and wounded, bruiſed and tormented; how thy moſt precious Blood was ſhed for my Sins: And ſet all the Powers of my Soul on Work to love Thee; and to celebrate thy Love in dying for me.

O deareſt Lord, raiſe Thou my Devotion to the higheſt Pitch it can poſſibly reach to praiſe Thee; enlarge my Soul to its utmoſt Extent to love Thee.

O crucified Love, raiſe in me freſh Ardours of Love and Conſolation; that it may be the greateſt Torment I can endure, to offend Thee; that it may be my greateſt Delight, to pleaſe Thee. Oh! may I always love Thee. Oh! may I never wilfully offend Thee.

Oh! give to thy Servant ſuch a Love, that whatever in thy Service happens contrary to Fleſh and Blood, I may not feel it; that when I labour, I may not be weary; when I am deſpiſed, I may not regard it: That Adverſity may be tolerable; Humility my Sanctuary; Mortification of my Paſſions, the Exerciſe of my Days; and thy Service, the Joy of my Soul: That Loſs to me may be Gain, ſo I may win Thee; and Death itſelf, the Entrance to eternal Life, thro' thy Merits and Mercy, O bleſſed Lord Jeſus. *Amen.*

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I know, O holy Lord, that I ſhall receive ineſtimable Bleſſings, if I come worthily; and therefore my humble Requeſt is, that Thou wouldeſt aſſiſt me to perform acceptably the Duties of this holy Feaſt; that ſo I may enjoy all the Bleſſings of it, and feel it a Communion of thy very Body and Blood.

I would gladly remember thy dying Love, with the moſt devout Affections, and a Heart that is full of Thanks, quite weary of my Sins, and moſt deſirous of thy Grace: This I deſire to do; but, alas! I cannot do it, unleſs Thou wilt graciouſly help me.

My Apprehenſions of thy amazing Love are very low; Oh! be Thou graciouſly pleaſed to exalt them: My Heart is ſtill inſenſible of what Thou haſt done for me, and my Affections dull and heavy; Oh! do Thou quicken and enflame them.

Make me to love Thee, as much as ever any of thy Servants loved Thee; to deſire thy Grace, as highly as I need it; and to be irreconcileably ſet againſt every Sin. Oh! do Thou give me the Grace of true Repentance for all my Sins; for my Original Impurities, and for all my actual Tranſgreſſions; that I may abhor and forſake them all: Wound my Soul with a moſt affectionate Sorrow, for

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all the Injuries, Affronts, and Diſhonours, I have offered to infinite Love.

My Lord, and my God, inſtil penitential Love into my Soul; that I may grieve for my Sins, that grieved Thee; that I may love Thee, for ſuffering for us Sinners, who occaſioned all thy Griefs. Oh! may I always love Thee; Oh! may I never grieve Thee more.

Let thy Love, O my God, ſo perfectly poſſeſs my Soul, that I may for the future lead a new Life; that I may live as a ſworn Votary to thy Love.

O heavenly Father, ſettle in my Soul a lively Faith in thy Mercy through Chriſt, a ſteadfaſt Belief of all thy Love to Sinners, an affectionate Reliance on the Merits and Mediation of thy crucified Son, and a comfortable Aſſurance of my being accepted in the Beloved; for whom I will ever adore and love Thee. *Amen. Amen.*

For SATURDAY.

Prayers before the Sacrament.

O Moſt dreadful Judge! I ſtand in Amazement, when I conſider, that the Heavens are not pure in thy Sight. And if Thou foundeſt Perverſeneſs in the Angels, and didſt not ſpare them; what

what will become of me, who ſeek to Thee for Help, and yet depart from thy Commandments?

There is no Holineſs, O God, if Thou withdraweſt thy Hand; no Wiſdom profits, if thy Government ceaſes: When Thou leaveſt us, we drown and periſh. We are unſtable and unſecure, unleſs we be confirmed by Thee.

O how meanly do I deſerve to be thought of! how little and inconſiderable is the Good; and how vaſt, how innumerable, how intolerable are the Evils I have done! Many good Things have I received from Thee; but I have abuſed them. Thou haſt given me Grace; but I have turned it into Wantonneſs.

Tho' Men have ſometimes ſpoken good Things of me; yet I know not, when they were to be found in me. Grant, O my God, that I may no more deſire, that I may no more ſeek, that I may no more be moved by the vain Praiſes of Men: For behold they ſpeak; but they know nothing.

Thou art ſilent, who knoweſt all Things. And I, who encreaſe the Number of my Sins; what ſhall I ſay, or do, O Thou Preſerver of Men? I will lay my Face in the Duſt, and confeſs my ſelf to be nothing.

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Take away the Partition-Wall, the Hindrances, the Sins that ſo eaſily beſet me; and do thou unite me to my bleſſed Saviour: And then, tho' of my ſelf I am nothing; yet in Him I ſhall be what I ought to be, and what Thou can'ſt not chuſe but love.

Lord, when I conſider thy Greatneſs, and my Nothingneſs; thy Purity, and my Uncleanneſs; thy Glory, and my Shame; It ſeems to be infinitely unreaſonable, and preſumptuous, for me to approach thy ſacred Preſence, and deſire to partake of the Sacrament. But when I conſider thy Mercy and thy Wiſdom, thy Bounty and thy Goodneſs, thy Readineſs to forgive, and thy Deſires to impart thy Self unto thy Servants; Then I am lifted up with Hope, then I come boldly to the Throne of Grace: Even ſo, O Lord, becauſe Thou haſt commanded it; and becauſe Thou loveſt it ſhould be ſo.

O Jeſus, be a Jeſus to me; and let thy Body be to me the Bread of Life, and thy Blood the Purifier of my ſinful Life. Ah! ſend me not away empty: I ſhall faint and die, I cannot live, without Thee.

O let Virtue go from Thee, to heal all the Diſtempers of my Soul. Appear graciouſly in theſe Myſteries; and enlighten my Darkneſs: Deliver me from all vain Imaginations and Illuſions of the Enemy, all Perverſeneſs of the Will, all Violence and Inordinacy of Paſſions, all ſenſual Deſires, Luſt and Malice, Gluttony and Pride, Envy and Detraction: And let not Sin reign in my Members, nor the Devil lead my Will captive, nor the World abuſe my Underſtanding, and debauch my Converſation.

Lord, grant that I may receive theſe Divine Myſteries for the Amendment of my Life, and as a Preſervative againſt my Sins; for the Encreaſe of Virtue, and the Perfection of my Spirit. Grant that I may from Thee, thus Sacramentally communicated, derive prevailing Grace for the renewing of my Life; ſpiritual Wiſdom, for the diſcerning the Way of Truth, and the Spirit of Love and Purity: That in the whole Courſe of my Life, I may endeavour to walk worthy of the gracious Favours which Thou beſtoweſt on me, moſt unworthy of them; that I may do all my Works with a pure and right Intention; that I may reſiſt every Temptation with never fainting Courage, with a Caution never

never ſurpriſed, and a Prudence never deceived.

Sweeteſt Saviour, I come to Thee upon thy Invitation; and by thy Command: I could not come to Thee, but by Thee: O let me never go from Thee any more.

Deareſt Saviour, enter into my Heart, feed me with thy Word, ſuſtain me with thy Spirit, refreſh me with thy Comforts, let me receive Thee in theſe divine Myſteries; and be Thou my Wiſdom and my Righteouſneſs, my Sanctification and Redemption. Let me receive this holy Food for the Strengthening of my Faith, and an Incentive of a holy Life; for the Encreaſing of a holy Hope, and the Conſummation of a heavenly Love; and as the Earneſt of an eternal Inheritance. O grant, that Thou being one with me, and I with Thee; I may by Thee be gracious in the Eyes of my Heavenly Father, and may receive a Portion among his Children in thy Kingdom, moſt holy and bleſſed Jeſus.

I confeſs, O Lord, that I, by my late Failings, and the remaining Pollution of my former Sins, deſerve to ſink under the Gulph of thy Diſpleaſure: But do Thou grant, that being admitted

to thy holy Sacrament, I may taſt of and be refreſhed by thy miraculous Sweetneſs; and that my Heart and my Affections may be lifted up on high. O grant that my Soul may be lifted up to Thee, with an unfeigned Love, a firm Faith, an ardent Devotion, and profound Reverence.

A ſingle Pleaſure, poor and empty, wearying and unſatisfying, has too often made me to forget Thee: Lord, whenſoever I preſent my ſelf at thy holy Table, where Thou art preſent; grant that I may forget all Deliciouſneſs beſides Thee. O let not any Pleaſure of the World ſeem pleaſant to me; make me to forget all the World, to quit all the World, whilſt I enjoy Thee, my deareſt Saviour: Do Thou open thy Repoſitories of Sweetneſs, and fill my Soul and all my Deſires; that there may be no Room for any Thing elſe.

Lord, aſſiſt and accept my poor Services, for thine own infinite Merits. *Amen. Amen.*

For SUNDAY *Morning.*

Before the Sacrament.

IT is Pity and Compaſſion, O Lord, alone, that can cover my Unworthineſs; therefore renouncing all Merits in my ſelf, I fly to Thee for Succour: O do not deſpiſe me; nor turn away my Prayers, nor thy Mercy from me.

My ſweeteſt Saviour, I long for thy Company, and am miſerable without Thee; but ſcarce dare to draw near, becauſe not pure enough to entertain Thee. Lord, be merciful to me a Sinner: I am really grieved for my Unworthineſs; and hugely amaz'd at thy Condeſcenſion, in offering thy ſelf to be received by ſo vile a Perſon.

O how wretched have I been; who have ſo highly offended the God of Heaven, that nothing leſs than the Blood of his dear Son can make my Peace!

Holy Jeſus, I am aſhamed of my ſelf; that ever I ſhould put Thee to part with ſuch a Price, and to endure ſuch exceeding Smart and Tortures to befriend me: I am aſhamed to think of it; and I abhor my Sins, which brought Thee to it.

I grieve, I love, I melt all over, when I hear Thee on the Croſs, crying out; *My God, my God, why haſt Thou forſaken me*? Ah! ſinful Wretch that I am; how infinite and unconceivable were the inward Dolours and Agonies Thou didſt undergo for us Sinners, when Thou didſt tread the Wine-preſs of thy Father's Wrath alone; when it pleaſed thine own moſt beloved Father to bruiſe Thee, to put Thee to Grief; when the Iniquities of the whole World were laid on Thee, and my numerous Sins encreaſed thy Load, and heightened thy Torments; when thine own Father withdrew all Conſolation from Thee; when God, offended by our Sins, did afflict Thee in the Day of his fierce Anger! No Grief, no Love, was ever like to Thine for me: No Grief, no Love, but thine own, ſhould exceed mine for Thee.

I lament, O Lord God, my deteſtable Impiety; for having ſo long, ſo often, and ſo obſtinately offended Thee. O Thou moſt gracious and reconcileable Lord, pity, pardon me, and reſtore me to thy Favour.

I confeſs, O Lord, I have nothing Good in me; nothing that can any way move Thee to compaſſionate ſo loathſome a Sinner: But I beſeech Thee look graciouſly upon me, for the infinite Merits of my crucified Saviour.

O hear his dying Groans, regard his Agony and bloody Sweat. By his Croſs and Paſſion, let my Sins be blotted out; and let me feel every evil Affection and Luſt killed and crucified in me..

I ſhould have nothing to plead, if He had not done enough, and fulfilled all thy Will: But ſince He has laid down his Life in Obedience to Thee; let me, by Virtue of that voluntary Sacrifice, obtain thy Mercy, and Remiſſion of all my Sins: Lord, I beſeech Thee, lay none of them to my Charge; but graciouſly pardon them all, and receive me into thy Favour.

O heavenly Father, accept my imperfect Repentance, compaſſionate my Infirmities, forgive my Wickedneſs, purifie my Uncleanneſs, fix my Unſtableneſs, quicken and enliven my dull Devotion, and let thy Love ever rule in my Heart, through the Merits, the Sufferings, and Love of thy beloved Son, in whom Thou art always well pleaſed. *Amen. Amen.*

O bleſſed High-Prieſt, who art able to ſave to the utmoſt all that come to God by Thee; I humbly beſeech Thee to help and ſave me, who have no Hope but in thy Merits and Interceſſion.

Holy Jeſus, I have by my many and grievous Sins, crucified Thee afreſh; yet Thou, who prayedſt for thy Crucifiers, interceed for me alſo, I humbly beſeech Thee; and plead thy meritorious Sufferings in my behalf: O my Redeemer, ſuffer not my Soul, the Price of thy Blood, to periſh.

Remember for whoſe Sake it was, that Thou cameſt from the Boſom of thy Father, and didſt humble thy Self ſo low as to be born of thy poor Handmaid. Remember for whom it was, that thy tender Body was ſcourged, and wounded, and crucified; and thy precious Blood ſhed: Thou that didſt ſuffer theſe Things, remember for whom Thou didſt ſuffer them. Remember me, O Lamb of God, who takeſt away the Sins of the World; and have Mercy upon me.

O my God, look down upon me, a wretched Pilgrim; and teach me to look up to Thee, and to ſee thy Goodneſs in the Land of the Living. Thou that boughteſt Heaven for me, guide me thither; and for the Price that it coſt Thee, for thy Paſſion Sake, in ſpite of all Temptations, enlighten Thou my Soul, direct it, crown it.

Bleſſed Jeſus, let thy Paſſion work Compaſſion for me; that by thy Mercy I may obtain Remiſſion of my Sins; and

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by thy Merits I may obtain everlaſting Salvation in the Kingdom of Heaven. *Amen. Amen.*

O Spirit of Grace, I have, by my horrid Impieties, done Deſpight to Thee; yet Thou bleſſed Comforter, though I have often grieved Thee, be graciouſly pleaſed to ſuccour and relieve me; and ſay unto my Soul, I am thy Salvation.

O bleſſed Spirit, purifie my Soul, and conſecrate it to be thy Temple: And ſet all my Affections on Fire; that my Heart may be an acceptable Sacrifice of Love offered up to Thee, and the Flame may continually aſcend to the Throne of thy Glory.

Particularly, I implore thy divine Aſſiſtance in the Performance of the great Duty I am going about. O holy Spirit, I humbly depend upon thy Aſſiſtance. Be Thou graciouſly preſent with me, to help my Infirmities, and aſſiſt my poor Endeavours. Raiſe my Devotion to the higheſt Pitch it can poſſibly reach. And work in me all ſuch holy Affections and Heavenly Qualifications, as become the Remembrance of my crucified Saviour.

O inexhauſtible Love, do Thou eternally breath Love into me, that my Love to Thee may be eternally encreaſing, and tending towards Infinity; ſince a Love leſs than infinite is not worthy of Thee.

O sacred, adorable, and mysterious Trinity; though I am not able to comprehend Thee, yet let me have Experience of thy Goodness, and feel thy sweet Influences. Be Thou graciously pleased to convey thy Mercies and Graces to my Soul, by this holy Sacrament I am going to partake of; and let me be wholly, and for ever Thine. Let thy Grace, O Lord Jesus Christ; let thy Love, O God the Father; let thy Communications, O Holy Spirit, be ever with me. *Amen. Amen.*

At the Holy Table.

THE good Lord pardon me, and every one that prepareth his Heart to seek Thee, the Lord God of our Fathers, altho' we be not cleansed according to the Purification of the Sanctuary. The Lord hear our Prayers, and accept us graciously.

O Lord God, the Bread of Heaven, and the Life of the World; I have sinned against Heaven and before Thee, and am not worthy to partake of thy most holy Mysteries: Yet vouchsafe, merciful Lord, to make me worthy by thy Grace, that I may not receive thy holy Body and Blood to my Condemnation; but to the Remission of my Sins,

the Fulneſs of thy Grace, and everlaſting Life.

Moſt gracious and glorious God, I bleſs and glorifie thy Name, and adore thy Goodneſs, and delight in thy Love; for that Thou haſt once more given me the Opportunity of Receiving the greateſt Favour I can receive in this World, even the Body and Blood of my bleſſed Saviour. O grant that I may partake of it with an holy Reverence and Reliſh; and to the great Comfort of my Soul. Let it be effectual for the caſting out all Evil from within me, and my fulfilling all thy Commandments; for the Eſtabliſhing of my Faith, and the Encreaſing of my Love; for the Repleniſhing me with the Fulneſs of Wiſdom; for the preſerving of my Body and Soul from the many Dangers in this mortal Life; for the taking out the Sting of temporal Death, and begetting in me a lively Hope of a glorious Reſurrection unto everlaſting Life; and finally, for procuring me thy Mercy at the Day of Judgment.

I confeſs, O Lord, that I am utterly unworthy of thoſe great Things I come to beg of Thee: For I have grievouſly offended Thee, and broken thy holy, righteous, and good Laws (particularly by ———) And after all my religious Endeavours, I am ſtill too prone to be vain and

and trifling, careleſs and indevout, ——— O Lord, I confeſs, I am ſo vile and ſinful, ſo unworthy of the leaſt of thy Mercies, that Thou mighteſt juſtly reject both my Perſon and my Services, and leave me to periſh in my Folly. But, I beſeech Thee, O gracious Lord, rather magnifie thy Mercy in my Forgiveneſs and Salvation: I beſeech Thee, accept the Oblation of thy dear Son, and blot out all my Tranſgreſſions; accept of that ineſtimable Sacrifice, and forget my manifold Offences. Accept of his unſpeakable Grief and Anguiſh, for that Grief which I ſhould have, and do not feel. Accept of his Tears and bloody Sweat, for my want of Tears, and drineſs of Mind. Accept of his moſt fervent Prayers, for my Dulneſs, and Deadneſs, and wandring Thoughts in Prayer. Accept of all that ever He did and ſuffered, for my multiplied and grievous Rebellions againſt Thee.

O Heavenly Father, I have nothing of my own to offer; but I offer Thee, my Saviour, my Redeemer, thine only Son, with all poſſible Devotion and Reverence. O let his Merits plead for me, who have no Merits of my own; and for his Sake be reconciled to me, and receive me into thy Favour. Amen, O gracious Lord. *Amen. Amen.*

At the Offertory.

BLeſſed be Thou, O Lord, who haſt put me into a Capacity of Relieving others. I dedicate my ſelf, and all I have, to Thee, by this Earneſt and Pledge: Accept it, and me; and let it derive a Bleſſing on all I have. O be Thou pleaſed to give me thy greater and ſurer Riches, thy Graces for my poor, blind and naked Soul; and then I ſhall be rich in good Works. Grant this, for Jeſus Chriſt's Sake. *Amen.*

We muſt be ſure to join with all poſſible Devotion in the publick Prayers, and attend with Seriouſneſs and Reverence to the Exhortations in the Communion-Service; and we may apply every Precept to our ſelves in ſome ſuch Method as this. When the Miniſter, in the Beginning of the Exhortation, puts us in Mind of the great Benefits that are conferred on thoſe who approach theſe holy Myſteries, with ſuch Qualifications as they ought, we may apply it to our ſelves, and lift up our Hearts to God in ſome ſuch Meditation as this.

I Know, O holy Lord, I ſhall receive ineſtimable Benefits if I come worthily: And therefore my humble Requeſt

queſt is, that Thou wouldeſt aſſiſt me acceptably to perform the Duties of this holy Feaſt; that ſo I may enjoy all the Bleſſings of it, and feel it to be a Communion of thy very Body and Blood.

Or thus.

O My Lord, and my God; do Thou ſo diſpoſe my Heart to receive theſe holy Myſteries, that I may feel all the ſweet Influences of Love crucified; the Strengthening and Refreſhing of my Soul, by the Body and Blood of Chriſt, as my Body is by the Bread and Wine. O work in me all thoſe holy ſpiritual Affections which become the Remembrance of a crucified Saviour.

When he proceeds to remind us of the great Guilt and Danger of unworthy Receiving, we may ſay in our Hearts.

O Lord, deliver me from this dreadful Guilt and Danger: And grant, that I may not receive thy holy Body and Blood to my Condemnation; but to the Remiſſion of my Sins, the Fulneſs of thy Grace, and everlaſting Life.

When the Miniſter goes on to excite our Repentance; and to perſuade us to judge our ſelves, that we be not judged of the Lord; we may proceed to ſay in our Hearts.

LORD, if my Repentance be not ſuch as Thou requireſt, I beſeech Thee, grant me ſuch a broken and contrite Heart as Thou haſt promiſed not to deſpiſe.

O let thy mighty Spirit work in me, whatever Thou ſeeſt wanting to fit me for thy Mercy and Acceptation. Give me a perfect and entire Hatred of every Sin, and ſincere Reſolutions of Amendment for the Time to come; that I may hereafter live as a ſworn Votary to thy Love.

When he goes on to ſtir up our Thankfulneſs; and to that End reminds us of the infinite Goodneſs of God, in ſending his only Son to die for our Sins; we may ſay in our Hearts;

LORD, my Apprehenſions of thy amazing Love are very low; O do Thou exalt them: My Heart is ſtill inſenſible of what Thou haſt done for me, and my Affections dull and heavy; O do Thou quicken and inflame them.

Lord,

Lord, help me to love and praiſe Thee acceptably. O raiſe Thou my Devotion to the higheſt Pitch it can poſſibly reach, to praiſe Thee: Enlarge my Soul to its utmoſt Extent, to love Thee.

Or thus:

O My crucified God, Thou Sovereign Inflammative of Love; let the Remembrance of thy Death ſet all the Powers of my Soul on work: That I may deſire and pant after Thee; that I may admire and adore Thee; that I may take heavenly Delight in thy gracious Preſence; that with Praiſe and Thankſgiving, with Jubilation and Triumph, I may receive Thee into my Heart; and may with the higheſt Love and Devotion entertain Thee.

When the Miniſter mentions the exceeding great Love of our bleſſed Saviour, in not only dying for us, but giving himſelf to us in the Holy Sacrament; we may employ our Thoughts after this Manner:

GLory be to Thee, O gracious Jeſus, who, to help our Memories, and to impreſs thy Love deep on our Souls, haſt inſtituted and ordained ho-

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ly Myſteries, as Pledges of thy Love, to our great and endleſs Comfort.

O moſt indulgent Saviour, let that mighty Salvation thy Love has wrought for us, never ſlip out of my Mind; but eſpecially let the Remembrance of it in the Holy Sacrament be always moſt lively and affecting. O create in me heavenly Affections, to celebrate ſo heavenly an Inſtitution; for which I will always praiſe and love Thee. *Amen. Amen.*

When the Miniſter reads the comfortable Sentences of Scripture after the Abſolution, we may again purſue this Method: When he repeats thoſe Words of our bleſſed Saviour, Matth. xi. 29. *we may ſay in our Hearts;*

BEhold, Lord, I come at thy Call, and I come weary and heavy laden with the Burden of my Sins; be it unto me according to thy Word: O Thou that art faithful and juſt, forgive me my Sins, and cleanſe me from all Unrighteouſneſs.

When he reads thoſe Words, St. John iii. 16. *we may ſay;*

GLory be to Thee, O gracious Lord, for firſt loving us; and giving the deareſt Thing Thou hadſt for us: O help

help me to love again; and to think nothing too dear for Thee.

When he reads thoſe Words of St. Paul, 1 Tim. i. 15. *we may ſay;*

LORD, I am a Sinner; a great one: O let me find the ſaving Efficacy of thy Death: Be merciful to me, O Chriſt, be merciful to me, for my Soul truſteth in Thee; and in thy Wounds ſhall be my Refuge, until thy Father's Indignation be over-paſt.

When he reads thoſe Words of St. John, 1 Ep. ii. 1. *we may ſay;*

GLory be to Thee, O moſt adorable Trinity, for thy infinite Love in our Forgiveneſs and Salvation: Glory be to Thee, O Father forgiving, O Son propitiating, O holy Ghoſt purifying. I miſerable Sinner, who ſigh and pant, and languiſh for thy Forgiveneſs, and to be at Peace with Thee; praiſe, adore, and love that moſt ſweet, liberal, tender and amiable Mercy, that delights in forgiving and ſaving Sinners.

If the Time will not permit to uſe all theſe Ejaculations; we may chuſe ſuch of them as beſt ſuit with our Leiſure and Devotion, and leave the reſt till another Opportunity. At

At the Conſecration.

O My deareſt Lord, I do remember, with a moſt affectionate Pity; how Thou waſt ſcourged with Whips, wounded with Thorns, torn with Nails, and wrack'd for Three long Hours moſt cruelly on the Croſs. My Pleaſures have put Thee to Pain; my ſinful Life hath cauſed thy bitter Death: It was my Sins which were thy Betrayers and Murderers; and therefore from my Heart I bewail, deteſt, and abjure them.

My Lord and my God, inſtil penitential Love into my Soul, that I may grieve for my Sins which grieved Thee; that I may love Thee for ſuffering for us Sinners, who occaſioned all thy Griefs: O may I always love Thee; O may I never grieve Thee more.

Immediately after the Prayer of Conſecration.

O Lord, and heavenly Father, regard, I beſeech Thee, the Supplications of thy Congregation, and ratifie this Conſecration in Heaven: Sanctifie by thy Word and Spirit theſe thy Creatures of Bread and Wine, and make them to us the Body and Blood of thy dear Son:

And

And grant that all we who ſhall be Partakers of them, may thereby be filled full and thoroughly repleniſhed with thy Grace and heavenly Benediction: O let both Parts of the Sacrament go together; and as Thou art pleaſed to admit us to partake of the outward Signs; ſo grant we may receive the Thing ſignified, even our bleſſed Saviour, with all his Merits and Graces. Amen, O gracious Lord. *Amen. Amen.*

Before Receiving the Bread.

O Lord, I confeſs I am not worthy, nor fit to come near ſo great a Myſtery, by reaſon of my manifold Sins; but Thou canſt make me worthy: And therefore, although a Sinner, I come unto Thee to offer the Sacrifice Thou haſt commanded: O pardon my Offences, and receive me graciouſly.

Bleſſed Jeſus, Thou haſt ſaid, This is my Body; and therefore I believe it to be ſo: And though my Senſes aſſure me, that the Subſtance is not changed; yet thy Power and my Faith convince me, that I ſhall verily and indeed take and receive Thee, by theſe holy Symbols.

As it is thy Body, I am not fit to touch it: But as it was given for me, and made the Price of my Redemption;

I may take it as given to me; and muſt profeſs, I am ſurpriſed at thy wondrous Love in laying down thy Life for me: In return to which ineſtimable Favour, I now humbly give my ſelf to Thee; to love and ſerve Thee with all my Power, as long as I have a Being.

O holy Jeſus, I behold Thee ſtretched on the Croſs with Arms ſpread ready to receive all Mankind into thy Boſom: I hear thy holy Spirit bleſſing theſe ſacred Symbols, for the Sanctification of my Spirit; thy bleſſed Self making Interceſſion for me in the Heavens: Thy infinite Arm of Mercy is reached out unto me; and my Arm of Faith, to Thee. Bleſſed be Jeſus, who will be thus joined to his Servants.

Thou, Lord, haſt ſaid, That he that eateth thy Fleſh, and drinketh thy Blood, hath eternal Life; and that he dwelleth in Thee, and Thou in him: Behold the Servant of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy Word.

I confeſs the Favour is too great for me to ask; but not for Thee to grant: Thou canſt as eaſily convey thy Body and Blood to my Soul by this Bread and Wine, as Thou didſt thy holy Spirit by thy Breath to thy Diſciples.

O ſuffer not any Impenitence or Failing in me, to obſtruct thy ineſtimable Mer-

Mercies to me; but qualifie me, by thy Grace, to receive the full Benefit of all Thou haſt done for me.

Thou that haſt done ſuch great, ſuch wonderful Things for me, be pleaſed to make this holy Sacrament effectual to me: And grant, that I may receive therein the abundant Communications of thy Grace and Goodneſs; even all the bleſſed Effects of thy Death and Paſſion. O ſtrengthen and refreſh my Soul by thy holy Body and Blood: Let Virtue come from Thee, to heal all my Infirmities; and inflame my Affections: And make me wholly, and for ever, Thine.

I earneſtly ask for all this, becauſe I infinitely need it: And humbly hope for the ſame, O good God, becauſe thy Grace is infinite, which will not ſuffer Thee to ſee the Wants of thy poor Servant unſupplied; who, unworthy as I am, am ſtill the Price of thy Blood. O then do not deſpiſe me, but graciouſly accept me; and do for me abundantly above what I am able to ask or think, for thine own Merits and Mercies Sake. Amen, O bleſſed Lord Jeſus. *Amen. Amen.*

O Lord, I deſire to renew my Covenant with Thee, and to ſeal it in this bleſſed Sacrament. Lord, put thy Laws into my Heart, and write them in my Mind:

Mind: And for the Paſſion Sake of thy dear Son, which we now commemorate, be merciful to my Unrighteouſneſs; my Sins and my Iniquities remember no more: Be Thou my God, and let me be thy Servant, for ever.

After receiving the Bread.

O Infinite Love, let this immortal Food Thou now vouchſafeſt me, inſtil into my weak and languiſhing Soul new Supplies of Grace; new Life and Love, new Vigour and Reſolution; that I may never more faint, or droop, or tire in my Duty.

Before receiving the Cup.

BLeſſed Jeſus, thy Blood is my only Refuge: Oh! let it make my Atonement, or I periſh for ever: I am a Sinner, a great Sinner; let me find and feel its ſaving Efficacy. Wherefore didſt Thou ſhed it, but to ſave Sinners? Neither can the Merit of it be overwhelmed, either by the Greatneſs or Number of my Sins.

Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canſt make me clean: O touch me, and ſay; I will be Thou clean.

Im-

Immediately after Receiving.

MY Jeſus, my Life, my Joy, my Glory, my Comfort; Thou diedſt, that I might live; I remember this wonderful Mercy, and adore thy unſpeakable Goodneſs. O be Thou mine, and make me wholly and for ever Thine: And as this holy Bread and Wine mingle with my Subſtance; ſo let thy Holy Spirit mingle with my Soul, that the ſame Mind may be in me, which was alſo in Thee.

Welcome, thrice welcome art Thou to me, O bleſſed Jeſus; though I am not worthy Thou ſhouldeſt come under my Roof: But the more unworthy I am, the greater is thy Love; and the higher are my Obligations. I will believe thy Mercy, though it paſſeth all underſtanding; and I will rejoice in this Favour as much as I am able: I will feed on this heavenly Food in my Heart by Faith with Thankſgiving.

O Holy Jeſus, let the Power of thy Croſs prevail againſt all the Powers of Darkneſs: Let the Wiſdom of thy Croſs make me wiſe to Salvation: Let the Peace of thy Croſs reconcile me to thy eternal Father, and bring me to Peace of Conſcience: Let the Victory of thy Croſs

Croſs mortifie all my evil and corrupt Affections: Let the Triumph of thy Croſs lead me on to a State of Holineſs; that I may ſin no more; but in all things pleaſe Thee, in all things ſerve Thee, and in all things glorifie Thee.

May the bleſſed Sacrament which I have now received, though very unworthy of ſo great a Mercy, ſeal to my Soul both Pardon and Peace. And the Lord grant, that I being now made whole, may ſin no more.

The Bread which I have taken, is the Bread which came down from Heaven, and giveth Life to the World: O that I may now feel its Efficacy, quickning and inflaming my Soul with the heavenly Ardours of Divine Love: And that I may be my Lord's faithful Soldier and Servant to my Life's End.

O my good God, keep me always Thine; and let nothing ever be able to divorce me from thy Love. Extinguiſh the impure Flames of Luſt and whatever evil Inclination Thou ſeeſt in me; and give me an excellent Spirit, a Spirit active in the Practice and Exerciſe of Virtue. Raiſe the Powers of my Soul by thy Love, that I may love Thee with all my Heart; that I may praiſe Thee, that I may honour Thee, and think nothing tedious or troubleſome that may promote thy Glory.

Thy Grace is the Treaſure I want; Thou haſt promiſed it; I beg it of Thee: O let me not go away without it.

O my God, I humbly, I earneſtly beg of Thee to give me continual Supplies of thy Grace; that I may continue in thy Love unto my Life's End: That being faithful unto Death, I may receive a Crown of Life, through the infinite Merits of Jeſus my Saviour. *Amen. Amen.*

While others are Receiving.

O Holy Trinity, the Store-houſe of Bleſſings, vouchſafe to bleſs, confirm and ſtrengthen all of us that are here preſent before Thee: Deliver us at the Day of Condemnation, and let us not be confounded when we ſhall appear before Thee, and in the Preſence of thy holy Angels; but grant that through this Blood of the Croſs we may all be cleanſed from our Sins, and be preſented pure, unblameable, and unreproveable in thy Sight; that ſo we may be admitted to that Holy Place, where no unclean Thing can enter; there to ſing eternal Praiſes to Him that ſits upon the Throne, to the Holy Spirit, and to the Lamb for ever and ever.

I humbly beſeech Thee, O Lord, to be propitious to the Catholick Church; and

and by the Increaſe of Faith, Hope and Charity, enlarge its Limits: Be pleaſed likewiſe to remember all that are fallen, all that are in Captivity or any kind of Affliction, the Infirm and Sick, the Stranger, the Fatherleſs and Widow: In great Mercy look upon them all, reſtore, redeem, heal, comfort and relieve them all, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

Another Form, which may be uſed ſometimes for Variety.

Before receiving the Bread.

O My God, aſſiſt me graciouſly, both now and ever. Grant that I may not receive the Bread alone; but that I may receive Thee. I do admire, I worſhip, I love and adore Thee. Thou haſt overcome, O Lord, Thou haſt overcome; ride on triumphantly, and lead my Soul in this Triumph as thine own Purchaſe: Thy Love hath conquered; and I am thy Servant for ever. Lord, ſanctifie me wholly; that my whole Spirit, Soul and Body, may become thy Temple: O and Thou dwell in me, and be Thou do God, and let me be thy Servant for my ever. *Amen.*

Glory

Glory be to Thee, O Thou heavenly Guide of our Devotion and our Love, who haſt elevated theſe obvious and outward Signs to an Efficacy far above their Natures; not only to ſignifie, but to be happy Means and Inſtruments to convey thy Grace to us; to be Seals and Pledges to confirm and aſſure to us the Communications of thy Love, that our Sight may aſſiſt our Faith; that if with due Preparation we receive them, both Parts of the Sacrament will go together; and as certainly as we receive the outward and viſible Sign, ſo certainly ſhall we receive the Thing ſignified, even thy moſt bleſſed Body and Blood: To receive which ineſtimable Bleſſing, O merciful Lord, do Thou fit and prepare me.

I know my Body is liable to temporal, and my Soul to eternal Death: But if I may but touch Thee by Faith, thy Life-giving Body will preſerve my Body and Soul to everlaſting Life; for this will take away the Sting of the firſt, and the Power of the ſecond Death. And O how it chears my Heart, to hear Thee call upon me to take and eat this! Adored be thy Love to a poor periſhing Sinner: Behold, I open my Mouth and my Heart to receive Thee, with all thy Merits and Graces.

Lord,

Lord, I believe; help Thou my Unbelief.

O come now Lord Jeſus, come quickly. My Heart is deſirous of thy Preſence, and thirſty of thy Grace, and would fain entertain Thee; not as a Gueſt, but as an Inhabitant, as the Lord of all my Faculties. Enter in and take entire Poſſeſſion, and dwell with me for ever. Let me feed on Thee by Faith, and grow up by the Increaſe of God, till I have perfected Holineſs in thy Fear. Amen, O bleſſed Lord Jeſus. *Amen.*

After receiving the Bread.

O Thou infinite Lover of Souls, for the Sake of that infinite Compaſſion of Thine, which moved Thee to die for me, have Mercy upon me; and bleſs this holy Ordinance to all the great Purpoſes of thy Glory, and my Salvation. O convey all thy Merits and Graces to my Soul by theſe holy Symbols.

Before receiving the Cup.

O That this precious Blood of my dear Redeemer may be now the Purification and Nouriſhment of my Soul, the Seal of my Pardon and Peace with God, and the Pledge of mine Inheritance in Heaven.

My Soul thirſteth for Thee, my Heart longeth after Thee; O my God, do Thou pity and refreſh me.

After Receiving.

GLory be to Thee, O Lord, who feedeſt me with the Bread of Life, and permitteſt me to drink of the Fountain of Life freely.

My Beloved is mine, and I am his. What ſhall I render to Thee for this wonderful Favour, O Thou Saviour of Men! What can I give Thee which is not thine own already? O that I could give Thee but all thine! I will love Thee, O Lord, my King, with all my Heart, and praiſe thy Name for ever and ever.

Bleſſed Saviour Jeſus; I adore the Secrets of thy eternal Wiſdom, I admire the Myſteriouſneſs of our Salvation; and I love, and praiſe, and give all poſſible Thanks to Thee, the Author of our Spiritual Life, for thus feeding my Soul with thy moſt bleſſed Body and Blood. O let this Heavenly Food transfuſe new Life and Vigour into my Soul, and into the Souls of all that communicate with me; that our Faith may daily increaſe; that we may all grow more humble, and more contrite for our Sins; that we may all love Thee, and ſerve Thee, de-

delight in Thee, and praiſe Thee, more fervently, more inceſſantly, more acceptably than ever we have done heretofore. *Amen.*

Lord, Thou dwelleſt in every ſanctified Soul; O receive my Soul, preſented to Thee in this Holy Communion, for thy dwelling Place: Make it a Houſe of Prayer and holy Meditations, the Seat of thy Spirit, the Repoſitory of Graces; and let no unclean Thing be in me, who have now received Thee into my Heart and Soul. Make me ſuch as Thou wouldeſt have me to be; ſtrengthen my Faith, confirm my Hope, give me a daily increaſe of Charity; and grant that I may always ſerve Thee to the utmoſt of my Power and Capacity, growing from Grace to Grace, till at laſt, by thy Mercy, I ſhall receive the Conſummation and Perfection of Grace, even the Glories of thy Kingdom, in the full Fruition of the Face and Excellencies of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghoſt; to whom be Glory and Praiſe, Honour and Adoration, given by all Angels, and all Men, and all Creatures, now and to all Eternity. *Amen. Amen.*

While others are Receiving.

PRaiſe the Lord, O my Soul, and all that is within me praiſe his holy Name. Praiſe the Lord, O my Soul, and forget not all his Benefits; who forgiveth all thy Sins, and healeth all thy Infirmities; who ſaveth thy Life from Deſtruction, and crowneth Thee with Mercy and Loving-kindneſs.

O Thou infinite Lover of Souls, with all my Heart I love, I praiſe, and adore thy Love to me; but alas! I can never do it enough: O do Thou at laſt, gracious Lord, tranſlate me to thy Kingdom of Glory; that there I may love Thee to the utmoſt Capacity of a Creature, and praiſe Thee to all Eternity. *Amen.*

Grant me in the mean Time, gracious Lord, a pure Intention of Heart, and a ſtedfaſt Reſolution to deſpiſe all Vanity; to fight the Battles of the Lord manfully, againſt the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil; to ſpend my Time religiouſly, and uſefully; to walk always, as in thy Preſence; and keep my Soul and Body in Purity and Holineſs, fit for the Habitation of the Spirit of God.

Grant that all carnal Affections may die in me, and in every one of us here preſent before Thee; and that all Things be-

belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in us.

Grant that we may have Power and Strength to have Victory, and to triumph over the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil; and may continue thy faithful and unfeigned Servants to our Lives End.

Grant, Lord, I beſeech Thee, that all we who have now ſolemnly dedicated our Selves unto Thee, may be endued with all heavenly Virtues in this Life, and everlaſtingly rewarded in the Life to come, through thy Mercy, O bleſſed Lord God, who doſt live and govern all Things World without End. *Amen.*

O Thou that ſitteſt at the right Hand of God, uſing all thy powerful Intereſt there in the Behalf of thy Servants; I beſeech Thee, join thy powerful Interceſſion with our humble Suits to the Throne of Grace, that for thy Sake we may be graciouſly accepted, and may obtain all Graces and Bleſſings that are needful for our Souls and Bodies, in order to thy Glory and our Salvation. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Pardon and Acceptance, after the Sacrament; to be ſaid when we are returned Home.

O Thou All-ſeeing, and moſt Holy Lord God, I have been admitted to make an Oblation of my Praiſes, and my ſelf to thy Divine Majeſty; and it infinitely concerns me, that Thou ſhouldeſt accept me therein; as I humbly truſt Thou doeſt; tho' not for any Merit in me, but for my deareſt Saviour's Sake. I confeſs, O Lord, I have been polluted with Sin, undutiful to thy Commands, unfaithful to my Promiſes, unmindful of my Obligations, confederate with thy Enemies; yea, and even in the Time of theſe holy Myſteries, ſo confuſed, ſo trifling and vain, ſo careleſs and indevout, that I might juſtly fear leſt my Wretchedneſs ſhould make my Sacrifice an Abomination: I am aſhamed, that I have been no fitter; I lament, that I ſhould bring ſo many Defilements, where the Purity of an Angel is ſcarce ſufficient: But I take Sanctuary in thy moſt obliging Condeſcenſions; and becauſe I am ſo unworthy, I will endeavour to eſteem my ſelf as vile as I really am in thy Sight: O do not look upon the

the Deſerts of a wretched Sinner; but remember thy own Mercies, and accept what Thou haſt required of me. I confeſs, O Lord, I have been very unworthy through my manifold Sins, and very unfit through my miſerable Indiſpoſitions, to offer Thee any Sacrifice, either of Prayer and Praiſe, or of my own Soul and Body by way of Gratitude for my Redemption: Yet I beſeech Thee to accept what hath been done with many Imperfections. It was my bounden Duty and Service: Thou didſt command it; and I deſiring to pleaſe Thee, ſet about it. Accept me therefore, O gracious Lord; not weighing my Merits, by which I can claim nothing; but pardoning my Offences, which I hope I have ſincerely bewailed: So ſhall thy Favours be the more Illuſtrious, becauſe they are beſtowed upon ſo undeſerving a Creature; and the Senſe of my Unworthineſs ſhall enlarge my Thankfulneſs, and make me praiſe Thee more than if I had approached Thee with all Perfections. Lord, hear and accept me, for Jeſus Chriſt's Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

A Thankſgiving.

I Thank Thee moſt entirely, O my gracious God, for calling me this Day to

to thine own Table, to ſhew me how thine only Son freely died in my ſtead; and to aſſure me that now, for his Sake, Thou art fully reconciled, and wilt live at preſent in me by thy Grace, and raiſe me up hereafter to Glory, to be eternally Happy with thy ſelf in thy Heavenly Kingdom; of all which Thou haſt given me the ſureſt Pledges in his precious Body and Blood. With all the Affections of an infinitely obliged Heart, I humbly thank Thee for what Thou haſt done, and gladly conſent to thoſe Terms of Life and Mercy, which were purchaſed by it; and will never wilfully yield to do any thing that is unworthy of ſo great a Favour: I deſire to fulfil thy Will in all Things, and adore thy glorious Goodneſs, and ſhew forth thy boundleſs Praiſe to my Life's End. O keep me unalterable in this Mind, and never ſuffer my corrupt Luſts to turn me from it.

O holy Saviour, Thou having taken Poſſeſſion of my Heart, let thy Preſence baniſh away thine Enemies; and let them not ever pretend to it again, ſince 'tis now become Holy to the Lord: O let not my Luſts ever return to pollute that Place wherein ſo Divine a Gueſt is lodged: Thou that art pleaſed now to enter under my Roof, be pleaſed to have

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me always in thy keeping; who am ſafe in no Hands but thine.

Give me a due Sight and Senſe of all the Benefits of thy crucified Body and Blood, whereof, by thy wonderful Mercy, I am made Partaker. Thy Blood was ſhed for the Remiſſion of Sins; O let me know and feel, that mine are all forgiven: It obtained the Aſſiſtance of thy Spirit and Grace; O let me ever enjoy this, as I ſtand in need of it: It was the Price Thou payedſt down for eternal Life; O let that finally be my Lot, ſince Thou haſt paid ſo dear for it. O ſweeteſt Saviour, let thy Body be my Food; thy Strength, my Guard; thy Spirit, my Life; and the Senſe of thy Favour, my greateſt Joy and Comfort: Go on graciouſly to accompliſh what Thou haſt begun in me; and let me be ever ſecure and happy in thy Cuſtody: Be it even ſo, for thine own Sake, Bleſſed Jeſus. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer of Interceſſion.

O Moſt merciful and gracious God, Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, I thy poor unworthy Servant, relying upon thy Goodneſs, truſting in thy Promiſes, and having received my deareſt Lord into my Soul, remembring the glo-

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rious Sacrifice which the holy Jeſus made upon the Croſs, and by a never-ceaſing Interceſſion now exhibits to Thee in Heaven; in the Office of an eternal Prieſthood; I humbly addreſs my ſelf to thy Divine Majeſty, in behalf of all Mankind, eſpecially thy holy Catholick Church, and this poor ſinful Nation wherein I live; Particularly in behalf of the Queen, together with all that miniſter under Her both in Church and State; as alſo all my Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance; and all thoſe who have this Day communicated, or who deſire to communicate, in any Part of Chriſtendom: Praying to Thee, in Virtue of our glorious Saviour, to grant unto us, all thoſe Graces and Bleſſings which Thou ſeeſt wanting in us, and neceſſary for us. O be Thou graciouſly pleaſed to pardon our Sins, and pity our Infirmities; to ſupport and relieve us in our Sorrows, and keep us for ever in thy Fear and Favour: And let the Kingdom of thy dear Son be ſet up in every one of our Hearts; and prevail mightily both now and for ever.

Give unto us, O Lord, an Intereſt in all the good Prayers that are made in Heaven and Earth; the Interceſſion of our Lord, and the Supplications of all thy Servants. Let all Things happen to

us in ſuch Order and Diſpoſition as may beſt promote thy greateſt Glory, and our Duty; our Likeneſs to Chriſt, and the Honour of his Kingdom: And let thy Grace and Mercy preſerve us all from the bitter Pains of Eternal Death, and bring us to Eternal Life, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

Lord, I beſeech Thee, pardon all my Sins and Failings; and graciouſly accept my poor Services: O grant all that I have prayed for; and whatever elſe Thou ſeeſt Neceſſary or Profitable for me, or for any of thy Servants, in order to thy Glory, and our Souls Good. *Amen*, Lord; ſo be it, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake: Whom I adore and love; and whom I deſire to love ſtill more and more, and for ever. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Perſeverance.

O Moſt holy and gracious Lord, who art the Beginner and Finiſher of every good Work, look down, I beſeech Thee, upon me, a weak and mutable Creature; whom Thou haſt redeemed to thy Self, and hitherto conducted by thy Grace and Spirit. Thou knoweſt, O Lord, the Weakneſs of my Nature, and how unable I am, without thy Strength and Aſſiſtance, to finiſh the Race Thou haſt

haſt ſet before me: Thou knoweſt what Temptations I muſt ſtruggle with, and what Difficulties I muſt yet overcome, before I can be ſeized of the bleſſed Prize I am labouring for: O Thou who haſt hitherto been my conſtant Support and Defence, forſake me not for thy Name's Sake; but as Thou haſt begun a good Work in me, ſo (I beſeech Thee) finiſh and complete it: Uphold my feeble Soul by thy free Spirit, under all Temptations and Difficulties; that ſo by patient Continuance in well-doing, I may ſeek for, and at laſt obtain Honour and Glory, Immortality, and eternal Life.

O Thou faithful Guide and Keeper of returning Souls, it is the unfeigned Deſire of my Heart, and ſhall (thro' thy Grace) be the great Endeavour of my Life, above all Things, to keep true to Thee: And my chiefeſt Prayer to Thee is, to keep me from falling any more from thy Fear; or from forfeiting thy Mercy.

I beg no greater Mercy, than to be found Stedfaſt in thy Ways; nor ſhall account any Things to be ſo great Favours to me, as thoſe which ſerve to keep me in the ſame.

O bleſſed Author and Finiſher of all Grace, I give my Heart to Thee, and hum-

humbly pray, that it may always be in thy Hands; ſince it is ſo unconſtant in what is Good, and prone to turn aſide to what is Evil, when it is in my own keeping. O holy Father, keep it Stedfaſt in thy Ways: Let it not be inclined to any evil Thing, nor lean towards any of my former Vanities. Keep mine Eyes from beholding Wickedneſs; and mine Ears from liſtening thereto: Let not my Lips utter any thing that is ill; nor my Feet move in any of the Paths of Death: But preſerve my whole Spirit, and Soul, and Body, unblameable, until the Coming of the Lord Jeſus.

I know, O gracious Father, the Falſeneſs of my own Heart, and the Inſtability of my Spirit; and it is not in my ſelf, but in Thee, that I truſt: My Faith is in thine Almighty Aid, which Thou haſt bountifully promiſed, and which thy Son has dearly purchaſed for us with his moſt precious Blood. Oh! let that always be my Guard; and then my Sins ſhall no more prevail over me.

Holy Father, I deſire above all Things, to partake of thy Righteouſneſs: Having utterly defaced my ſelf, I would gladly be new made by Thee: Having hitherto miſcarried, whilſt I would be in my own Hands, I deſire now to be wholly in Thine. I loath my ſelf, O my dear

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God, whilſt I am without Thee: And whatever elſe I want, my earneſt Prayer is, that I may recover thy Likeneſs, thro' Jeſus Chriſt our Lord.

I know, O gracious Lord, that I cannot receive this, but from thy Self: Oh! be Thou therefore both the bleſſed Giver and the Gift. I know alſo, alas! that I am utterly unworthy to have thy Divine Image ſtamped upon my Soul: But I extremely need and deſire it, and I extremely value it; and ſuch Thou art pleaſed to account worthy of it. I dearly love Thee, O my gracious God, or elſe I ſhould not be thus deſirous to be like Thee: And Thou that loveſt to communicate thy Goodneſs; whom ſhould'ſt Thou imprint and diſplay it upon, but on thoſe that love Thee, and are earneſtly deſirous of the ſame?

Hear me therefore, O my God; and breath into my Soul thy Spirit, to renew it after thine own Image, in Righteouſneſs and true Holineſs. O Thou that ſeekeſt out Sinners to make them good, do not reject me now, when I ſeek to Thee to make me better. I am poor and naked; Oh! fill me with thy Righteouſneſs: My good Thoughts are unconſtant and changeable; Oh! fix them by thy Grace. Set up thy Kingdom, O Jeſus, in my Heart: For to become

come thy faithful Servant, is more to me than to have the Empire of this World. Let thy Promiſes be my Hope; thy Providence, my Guard; thy Grace, my Strength; and thy Bleſſed Self, my Portion. Keep me Stedfaſt, O Lord, in ſerving Thee, till Thou takeſt me finally to enjoy Thee; through Jeſus Chriſt my Bleſſed Lord and Saviour. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Growth in Grace.

O God, who art my Hope and Strength, upon whoſe Aid and Aſſiſtance I depend, look down, I beſeech Thee, upon a poor, helpleſs Creature, who am beſet with Snares and Temptations. Bleſſed be thy Grace, which firſt excited my Endeavours, and hath hitherto proſpered them. My Heart is ſincerely deſirous to be entirely Thine, and fully bent to pleaſe and obey Thee in all Things. But, O Lord, I am afraid of my ſelf, I dread my own Inconſtancy; and Thou knoweſt, I have too much Reaſon for it: And therefore I the more paſſionately and earneſtly beſeech Thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake, withdraw not thy Self from me; but continue to aſſiſt my weak Endeavours with thy powerful

erful Grace, till Thou haſt crowned them with a perfect Victory.

I thankfully acknowledge, 'tis by thy Grace that I am what I am; 'tis to thy Grace, that I owe all the Good I have done; and 'tis by thy Aid, that I have eſcaped all the Evils I have been tempted to: Wherefore not unto me, O Lord, not unto my Strength or Endeavours, but unto thy Name, be all the Praiſe and Glory.

And now, O Lord, I am come before Thee, and, I hope, with a truly loyal and ſincere Heart, to offer up my Soul and Body to Thee, and vow an everlaſting Obedience to thy bleſſed Will. For Jeſus his Sake refuſe not this poor Oblation; which, though it be infinitely unworthy of thine Acceptance, is the beſt Thing I am able to preſent Thee. O accept me, and take entire Poſſeſſion of me, that I may be wholly and for ever Thine; and be Thou graciouſly pleaſed to make me ſuch as Thou wouldeſt have me to be.

I am aſhamed of my ſelf, to ſee how unlike Thee I am; how I am laden with Imperfections; and how, after all my religious Endeavours, my Nature is ſtill vitiated with inordinate Luſts and Affections; how much Vanity yet remains in my Mind, how much Perverſeneſs in my Will, how much ſpiritual and carnal Iniquity

quity in my Affections and Appetites. Lord, I have been long a contending with this corrupt Nature, and yet upon all Occaſions I find my ſelf too too prone to be * ——— Wo is me, even my faireſt Graces have their foul Spots and Blemiſhes; my pureſt Diſpoſitions, their ſinful Intermixtures; and my beſt Works, their Flaws and Imperfections.

O my God, have Pity upon me, who here lie ſighing at thy Feet, under a miſerable diſeaſed Nature: As Thou haſt begun the bleſſed Cure in me, ſo, for Chriſt his Sake, I beſeech Thee to complete it; that being entirely recovered and raiſed up into Newneſs of Life, I may, in the perfect Health and Vigour of my Soul, ſerve and glorifie Thee for the future; and as I have been hitherto a ſignal Inſtance of thy Goodneſs, ſo I may be an happy Inſtrument of thy Praiſe to eternal Ages.

Let thy bleſſed Spirit be my conſtant Monitor, to guide and aſſiſt, and proſper me in all my Ways. O let his ſacred Influences always excite and encourage my Endeavours, quicken my Dulneſs, raiſe my Devotion, and ſuppreſs all evil Inclinations in me; that I may love and ſerve Thee with all my Heart, with all my Soul, and with all my Strength.

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Hear me, O my God, I beſeech Thee, and ſtrengthen me with all Might by thy Spirit in the inward Man; that I may hereafter contend more vigorouſly and ſucceſsfully againſt all the vile Inclinations of my Nature. And grant I may be always ſo ſenſible of my own Imperfection, as that I may never reſt in any preſent Attainment; but may be ſtill preſſing forward to the Mark of my high Calling in Jeſus Chriſt.

That I may every Day ſerve Thee more freely and ſtedfaſtly, wean me, I beſeech Thee, more and more from thoſe Temptations to Sin that are round about me; and give me ſuch a true Underſtanding of the Nature of all the Good and Evil of this World, as that neither the Flatteries of the one, nor the Terrors of the other, may ever be able to withdraw me from my Duty.

Stir up my ſlothful Mind to a diligent Attendance on thy publick Ordinances; that ſo in the ſolemn Aſſemblies of thy Saints, I may conſtantly hear thy Word with Reverence and Attention, offer up my Prayers with Fervency and Devotion, and approach thy Table with all that Humility and Love, Gratitude and Reſignation of Soul, that becomes the ſolemn Remembrance and Repreſentation of my dying Saviour.

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Grant, I beſeech Thee, that in the Uſe of theſe bleſſed Means, my Mind may be more and more raiſed above theſe ſenſible Things, and may have the clearer Sight of its heavenly Country, from whence it came, and whither it deſires to return; that ſo having my Eye alway fixt upon that bleſſed Recompence of Reward, I may live above this World; and in deſpight of all its Terrors and Allurements, perſevere to the End in a ſteady and even Courſe of Obedience.

O cauſe me to love Thee for thy Self, and Religion for Thee, and the Inſtruments of Religion, in order to thy Glory and my own Happineſs: That ſo founding my Content upon Thee, and the bleſſed Intereſts of a virtuous Life, I may grow in Grace, and be rich in good Works, and go on with a ſatisfied and triumphant Spirit, from Imperfection to Strength, from Acts to Habits, and from Habits to Confirmation in Grace; and may be ſtill more and more confirmed in all the heavenly Graces, till they are finally conſummated into everlaſting Glory. And when, by thy Grace and Aſſiſtance, I have perfectly conquered the corrupt Nature within, and the Temptations without me, and am arrived

rived into the State of everlasting Triumph, I will lay all my Victories at thy Feet, and with Palms in my Hand, and Hallelujahs from my Lips, celebrate thy Praises to Eternity.

Hear me, O my God, in this and whatever else Thou knowest to be needful for me, for Jesus Christ his Sake: To whom with thy Self, and eternal Spirit, be rendred all Honour, Glory and Power, from this Time forth for evermore. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Hope in God, and Cheerfulness in his Service.

O Father of Mercies, and God of all Comfort; who hast given us everlasting Consolation, and good Hope through thy Grace in Jesus Christ; I bless and adore thy infinite Love and Benignity to Sinners, for all the Means of Grace, and Incentives of thy Love, Thou mercifully vouchsafest us; particularly for indulging us the Privilege, the Honour, the Happiness to pray to Thee, to pour out our Souls, to breath out our Desires, to present our Wants, and to unbosom our Griefs at thy Throne of Love.

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I praiſe and adore Thee, O moſt condeſcending Majeſty, for not only permittting us, miſerable Wretches, to pray to Thee; but alſo for giving us all imaginable Encouragement to ſo important a Duty. I adore and love Thee, for pouring out thy Holy Spirit of Grace and Supplication on us, to help our Infirmities, to aſſiſt us in praying, to make Interceſſion for us with Sighs and Groans that cannot be uttered. I adore and love Thee, for giving us ſo many glorious Promiſes of hearing our Prayers, ſo many firm Aſſurances of a gracious Acceptance.

O grant that I may always ſet a true Value on this moſt valuable Privilege, and take Delight in approaching to Thee: And ſuffer not any Defect, or Unworthineſs in me, to hinder the Succeſs of my Prayers; but qualifie me, by thy Grace, to receive the full Benefit of all thy gracious Promiſes.

Maintain in me ſuch cheerful Thoughts of Thee, that Religion may be my Delight, as much as it is my Duty; and I may always approach Thee with a joyful Heart, being glad to leave the Company of all other Things to go to Thee, my God, my exceeding Joy.

It is a Shame I ſhould groan or go heavily under the ſweet, the eaſie and

gentle Yoke of my moſt loving Saviour; none of whoſe Commandments are grievous, but all his Ways Pleaſantneſs, and his Paths Peace: O therefore grant, that I may not only do thy Will, but take Pleaſure in doing it; and may have the Comfort as well as the Guidance of thy Grace.

Grant me, even now, as well as hereafter, to taſte the Pleaſures, and reap the Profits of thy Service: That I may go on therein more cheerfully my ſelf; and may alſo recommend the Religion of our Lord Jeſus to all others, and teſtifie to all the World, by a cheerful and zealous Obedience, that his Yoke is eaſie, and his Burden light. And that I may always ſerve Thee with Freedom and Alacrity, remove from me, I beſeech Thee, all unprofitable Sadneſs and Melancholy; and help me to acquire an equal Tranquillity of Mind, and a becoming Cheerfulneſs of Spirit.

Lord, fill me plenteouſly with all thoſe Graces of thy holy Spirit, which muſt recommend my Soul to Thee; and with ſuch Comforts of the ſame, as may ſweeten Religion to me: And cauſe me, inſtead of ſpending my ſelf in fruitleſs Complaints, to put forth real Endeavours of doing Thee Honour and Service; and

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to lay out my ſelf in the Ways of thy Glory, and of my own everlaſting Peace.

I beſeech Thee to inſpire me with ſuch clear and lively Apprehenſions of thy eſſential Beauties and Perfections, and of thy bountiful Love and boundleſs Benevolence to all thy Creatures, as may every Day more and more raiſe and improve my Love to Thee; that this, being the great Spring and Principle of all my Actions, may continually excite me to a cheerful Obedience to thy Will, and a vigorous Imitation of thy Perfections.

Preſerve me from all Dejection of Spirit, and unjuſt Suſpicions of thy Anger and Diſpleaſure, when I find leſs Delight and Complacence in the ſincere and careful Performance of all the Duties which I owe Thee. And whenever Thou art pleaſed to enlarge my Heart with ſweet Tranſports of Love to Thee, and inſpire my Mind with delightful Thoughts of Thee; grant, I beſeech Thee, that they may not only pleaſe, but better me; that they may lift me up above all the Temptations of this World, and revive my Strength, quicken my Endeavours, and compoſe my diſtruſtful Heart into a ſteadfaſt Dependance upon Thee: That ſo I may be fruitful in all good Works, and my

Heart may be eſtabliſh'd unblameable in Holineſs before Thee unto the Coming of the Lord Jeſus Chriſt; for whoſe Sake I beg theſe Mercies of Thee, and humbly hope to be heard, through his Merits and Mediation. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Mercy, and favourable Allowances in trying our Service.

O Thou ever-bleſſed Majeſty, who filleſt Heaven and Earth with thy Preſence, and art always liſtening to the Supplications of a World of Creatures that depend upon Thee; Open, I beſeech Thee, thine Ear of Mercy to me thy poor, frail, defective Creature. I confeſs, O Lord, I am very unworthy through my manifold Sins, and very unfit through my miſerable Indiſpoſitions, to offer Thee any Sacrifice, or to draw near to Thee: But I beſeech Thee, that Thou wilt not reject me for my Unworthineſs, as I have deſerved; but exerciſe thy long Sufferance in bearing with my Infirmities.

O my God, examine all my Ways and Weakneſſes, with the indulgent and compaſſionate Abatements of a Father; Judge me with the Mercy and Gentleneſs of a Saviour; Try me with the Fo-

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vour of one that died for me, and ſeeks to ſave, not to condemn me.

Lord, tho' I am ſtill offending Thee, yet I dearly love Thee: I can never take Pleaſure in my ſelf, but when I think I have pleaſed Thee. Nay, I hate my ſelf for it, as often as I find that I have offended Thee: And I bear Thee a Child's obedient Regard and Reverence; tho' alas! with too much of the Alloy and Mixture of a Child's Folly and Negligence.

Look upon my Offences, I humbly intreat Thee, O Father, as the Offences of one who loves Thee above all Things: Look upon them as the Slips of one, whoſe Heart nevertheleſs is bent upon thy Fear, and devoted to thy Service; but who pays Thee this Service, under a Load of humane Infirmities, and much Frailty of the Fleſh; Who at one time is drowſie, at another time, vain and heedleſs; who is forgetful in many Things, and haſty and inconſiderate in more; who naturally grows weary and remiſs, when Trials return often, or continue long; and whoſe unconſtant Temper is too often dull and liſtleſs, when it needs to be moſt active and vigorous; ſupine and inadvertent, when it ſhould be moſt circumſpect, and ſtand moſt ſtrictly upon its Guard.

Through all this Cloud of mine Infirmities, be Thou pleaſed, O gracious Lord, to look to my Love, and Devotedneſs to thy Laws; and mercifully accept my Love, and pity my Weakneſſes. O Thou who madeſt me, conſider and pity my Frailty. O Thou who haſt bore humane Infirmities, tho' without Sin in thy Self, have Compaſſion on them in me. Lord, bear with them as with the Failures and Forgetfulneſs of a ſincerely affectionate and devoted, tho' of a very frail and heedleſs Servant. Bear with them, O Father, as with the Errors and Overſights of a loving and dutiful, tho' of a very weak and ſimple Child. And let me have thy Grace to help and guard me againſt them, as well as thy Mercy to pity and pardon them.

O that no Miſtruſts of thy merciful Acceptance may either diſcourage the Courſe of my ſincere Obedience, or deprive me of the Comforts of the ſame. Whilſt I am labouring ſincerely to ſerve Thee, give me the Comfort of Hope that Thou doſt accept me; and let me find the Ways of Righteouſneſs to be Ways of Peace, both now and for ever.

Lord, I humble my ſelf before Thee; do Thou in Mercy lift me up: Which with all my Comforts, I will ever moſt thank-

thankfully aſcribe to thy free Bounty and Grace, through the Merits of my bleſſed Saviour and Redeemer Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer in the Time Sickneſs: Which may (with a litile Alteration) be uſed in the Behalf of a Sick Friend.

O Heavenly Father, who in thy Wiſdom knoweſt what is beſt for me; Glory be to Thee.

Lord, if it ſeem Good in thy Sight, I beſeech Thee to remove this Diſtemper which now afflicts me, and reſtore me to my former Health: And give me Grace to improve it to thy Glory, and praiſe thy Name, for the Sake of Jeſus Chriſt my Lord and Saviour. But if Thou art pleaſed it ſhould increaſe upon me, give me Grace to ſubmit my ſelf entirely to thy good Pleaſure; and to bear patiently whatever Thou art pleaſed to lay upon me.

I deſire, O Lord, to acknowledge and adore thy Divine Wiſdom and Goodneſs in every Diſpenſation of Providence towards me; and only beg, that Thou wouldeſt keep me ſafe under all: Then uſe what Methods Thou pleaſeſt of bring-

ing me to my Self, and preparing me for thy Kingdom.

Poſſeſs my Soul, I beſeech Thee, with awful and becoming Apprehenſions of thy Majeſty. Give me a ſerious Senſe and Sorrow for having at any Time provoked that Vengeance, which is able to conſume in a Moment.

Grant me, I beſeech Thee, true Repentance, and thy Holy Spirit; and then open thine Eye of Mercy upon my languiſhing Condition, and give me the Comfort of Pardon and Forgiveneſs. In thy Mercy, O Lord, I put my full Truſt; in thy Mercy alone, through the meritorious Sufferings of my crucified Saviour. Impute not unto me, O Lord, my former Sins, but ſtrengthen me with thy Bleſſed Spirit; and grant that this Weakneſs of my Body, may tend to the Increaſe of Chriſtian Holineſs, and the Healing of my Soul.

Guard me by thy Power from the Aſſaults of the Tempter; and ſuffer him not to take Advantage of my Weakneſs. Deliver me from all Frowardneſs and Impatience; and give me an entire Reſignation to thy Will. O ſuffer not the Diſeaſe to take away my Senſes; and do Thou continually ſupply my Thoughts with Holy Aſpirations.

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Lord, direct and bleſs all proper Means for my Recovery; and reſtore me to my Health in thy good Time: But if thy infinite Wiſdom has otherwiſe determined concerning me, thy bleſſed Will be done. O wean my Affections from all Things below, and ſo fit and prepare me for the Hour of Death; that after my Departure hence, in Peace, and in thy Favour, my Soul may be received into thine everlaſting Kingdom. For this, O Lord, is the chief Deſire of my Soul, that whether I live, I may live unto Thee; or whether I die, I may die unto Thee; ſo that living and dying I may be Thine, through Jeſus Chriſt, my dear and only Saviour. *Amen.*

A Thankſgiving for Recovery.

O Moſt mighty God, and merciful Father, wonderful in thy Doings, and gracious in all thy Diſpenſations toward the Children of Men; I thy unworthy Servant proſtrate my ſelf before Thee, with all the fervent Affections of a grateful Heart; acknowledging it thy Goodneſs, that I was not long ago conſumed. Thou, Lord, haſt chaſtened and corrected me; but Thou haſt not given me over unto Death. Bleſſed be that divine Wiſdom, which ſaw my late

Affliction ſeaſonable for me, and would not ſuffer me to periſh in my Folly, for want of ſuch neceſſary Warning. Bleſſed be that tender Compaſſion, which in the midſt of Wrath remembred Mercy. Bleſſed for ever be that Power and Goodneſs, which by ſparing me, when I had deſerved to be utterly cut off, hath given me Opportunity to make good thoſe holy Reſolutions, which thy Grace, O Lord, inſpired when I was in Trouble. Lord, let the Remembrance of this thy Goodneſs to me, and my own ſerious Purpoſes of Amendment, never depart from my Mind. And give me ſuch a grateful Senſe thereof, as may more and more incite me to love and obey Thee, and to depend upon Thee for the future.

Lord give me Grace to perform all my good Reſolutions. Make me every Day more and more zealous in promoting thy Glory, and the Good of my Brethren: As a Perſon ſaved from Deſtruction for this very End, that the Remainder of my Life ſhould be employed in the Service of my moſt gracious Deliverer.

Sanctifie, I beſeech Thee, all the Methods of thy Providence to the Salvation of my immortal Soul; and eſpecially, let not thy abuſed Mercies ever riſe up in Judgment againſt me. Oh! may my paſt Sufferings work in me great Humi-

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lity and godly Fear; and tend to confirm me in Faith and Patience, and in an entire Reſignation to thy Will in all thy Diſpenſations towards me.

Keep me ſtill, O Lord, under the watchful Care of thy good Providence. And perfect, I beſeech Thee, perfect thy own Work in me: That ſo the Glory of it may be for ever redounding to Thee; and that, as I have been hitherto a ſignal Inſtance of thy Goodneſs, ſo I may be a happy Inſtrument of thy Praiſe to Eternity.

Grant, I beſeech Thee, that the Senſe of thy unſpeakable Kindneſs towards me, may ſo captivate my Soul and all my Faculties, that I may be moſt entirely Thine; that my Reaſon and my Will, my Fear, and my Hope, my Love and Deſire, may from henceforth be all reſigned up to Thee, and for ever devoted to thy Honour and Praiſe: And this I moſt humbly beg for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake; to whom with Thee, O Father, and thy Eternal Spirit, be rendred all Honour, Glory and Power, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer in Time of Affliction.

O Moſt merciful and gracious God, who haſt commanded us to call upon

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on Thee in the Time of Trouble, and promiſed to help us; I beſeech Thee, incline thine Ears to the Supplications of me thy poor Servant, who fly to Thee for Succour.

I confeſs, O Lord, I have ſo grievouſly offended Thee by my Sins, that in the ſevereſt of thy Inflictions I muſt acknowledge; Righteous art Thou, O Lord, and true are thy Judgments.

I complain not of thy Sharpneſs; diſcerning herein thy Mercy, inaſmuch as I have deſerved far more grievous Puniſhments. But, O merciful Lord, I beſeech Thee, that Thou wilt not conſider nor weigh what is due to my Deſervings, but rather what becometh thy Mercy. O let that incline Thee to do for me whatever my wretched Eſtate ſtands in need of. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; conſider and do it, for thy Name's Sake, for thy Mercy's Sake, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

O deliver me, and be merciful to my Sins; and ſay unto my Soul, I am thy Salvation. Deal Thou with me, O Lord, according to thy Name, for ſweet is thy Mercy. O deliver me, for I am helpleſs and poor, and my Heart is wounded within me.

I am ſenſible of the Uncertainty of all Things elſe, but only of thy Love; which

which will inſpire me, I hope, to behave my ſelf worthy of the Greatneſs of it, in every State and Condition of Life. O that I may now ſhow how much I love Thee more than my ſelf, by expreſſing all Patience, Meekneſs, Forgiveneſs of others, cheerful Submiſſion to Thee, and Confidence in Thee, with Thankfulneſs for all thy paſt and remaining Mercies: Be they always acknowledged, and never forgotten by me. And fill me with all Joy and Peace, in Believing that Thou wilt never leave me nor forſake me; but make me perfect, ſtabliſh, ſtrengthen, ſettle me, and be my God for ever and ever, my Guide even unto Death.

I hope, O Gracious Lord, Thou ſendeſt this Affliction on me for my Good; even to humble and reform me: O grant that it may work that ſaving Effect in me.

Lord, I ſubmit to thy divine Diſpenſations; I throw my ſelf at thy Feet: Do with me what Thou pleaſeſt. O diſpoſe of me, and all my Affairs, ſo as may beſt promote thy Glory, and my Soul's Good: And let this be the happy Effect of all thy Diſpenſations toward me, even to bring me nearer to thy Self.

Heavenly Father, my Hope is wholly in thy Mercy, and in the Merits and Mediation

diation of my crucified Saviour: Oh! for his Sake forgive and ſave me. *Amen. Amen.*

A Thankſgiving for Deliverance.

PRaiſed be the Lord daily, even the God that helpeth me, and poureth his Benefits upon me. Glory be to Thee, O bleſſed Lord, who art gracious and merciful, ſlow to Anger, and of great Kindneſs, and repenteſt Thee of the Evil.

I thankfully acknowledge, O gracious Lord, that Thou haſt not dealt with me according to my Deſervings: For tho' my Sins have deſerved eternal Torments, Thou haſt corrected me only with a gentle Rod; neither haſt Thou ſuffered me long to lie under that, but haſt given me a timely and a gracious Iſſue out of my late Diſtreſſes: For which, all Love, all Glory be to Thee.

It was not my Merit, but thy Mercy; not my Prudence, but thy gracious Providence, that delivered me: And therefore to Thee I return all the Praiſe, and Honour, and Glory of my Deliverance. Praiſe the Lord, O my Soul, and all that is within me praiſe his holy Name: Who remembred me in my low Eſtate; for his Mercy endureth for ever.

O gracious Lord, who of thy infinite Mercy haſt delivered me; make me ſtrictly careful to ſin no more, leſt a worſe Thing come unto me. O let theſe various Methods of Thine have their proper Effects on my Soul; that Gratitude for paſt Mercies may allure me to Good, and Fear of impending Judgments may drive me from Evil; and ſo by bringing forth worthy Fruits of Repentance, I may eſcape thy Wrath, both Temporal and Eternal. And grant, that as I have felt the ſweet Refreſhment of thy Mercy; my Heart may be ſo raviſhed with it, and knit to Thee in the firmeſt Bands of Love; that I may be entirely devoted to Thee, and ſerve Thee with a cheerful Obedience all my Days, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for the Clergy, to be uſed in Ember *Week.*

O Thou great Shepherd and Biſhop of our Souls, who haſt commanded us to pray for Labourers in thy Harveſt; I beſeech Thee, give us Paſtors after thy own Heart. Let them be cloathed with Righteouſneſs, and waſh their Hands in Innocence, before they

they compaſs thine Altar. Make them all pious in their Lives, ſound in their Doctrine, and diligent in their Calling: And both by their Piety and Learning, to adorn their holy Profeſſion, and put to Silence the Ignorance of fooliſh Men.

O let not any vain Ambition for themſelves make them expoſe and proſtitute the Honour of their God; nor Affectation of that Knowledge that puffeth up, divert them from that Charity which only edifieth. Grant that the Intereſts of Religion may always be uppermoſt in their Hearts, and never vail to ſecular Ends; nor the Pretence of Truth cloke any exorbitant Paſſion.

Lord, refine even their Zeal: And make it ſerve, not to conſume, but kindle their Charity; and to inſpirit them with ſuch an unwearied Induſtry, that they may always abound in the Work of the Lord, and diligently take heed to thoſe Flocks over whom the Holy Ghoſt has made them Overſeers: That after a plentiful Converſion of Sinners from the Errors of their Ways, they may at the laſt ſhine like the Stars in Glory, through thy Merits and Mediation, O holy and ever-bleſſed Jeſus. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Religious Societies.

O Bleſſed Lord, who art infinitely holy and happy in thy Self, and from whom alone we derive the Poſſibility of being either; I proſtrate my ſelf before Thee, to implore thy Favour and Bleſſing upon all religious Societies. O Lord, increaſe their Number, and confirm and advance their Piety: Let them not reſt in the Form and Outſide of Religion; but ſeriouſly weigh, and induſtriouſly anſwer the Obligations of their holy Profeſſion, by living as thy Saints have lived, in Innocence and Purity, in Mortification and Abſtinence, in Charity and Devotion, in Meekneſs and Humility; doing all ſuch good Works as Thou haſt prepared for them to walk in.

Give them Grace to fly all the Incitements to the unſatisfying Pleaſures of Luxury and Vice; and grant them that more ſolid tranſcending Delight that attends thy Service.

O inſpirit them by thy Grace, that they may not only approve, but obey thy Commands; conquer all the Diſcouragements of Sloth or Vice, and cheerfully ſet to the Practice of all Chriſtian Duties;

Duties; that ſo they may experimentally find, how ſweet the Lord is.

That none of thoſe who are thus ſtrictly engaged to ſerve Thee, may ever diſhonour Thee, by falling back into ſinful Courſes; I do moſt humbly and earneſtly beſeech Thee, not to leave them to themſelves; They are weak, and apt to be deceived; and their Enemies are mighty, politick, and watchful. Lord, Thou knoweſt whereof they are made; Thou remembreſt that they are but Fleſh. It is thy Spirit, O Lord, thy Spirit alone that can uphold them: O eſtabliſh them with a free Spirit; that they be not weary nor faint in their Mind; And by how much the more they diſcover their Weakneſs, ſo much the more do Thou ſhew forth thy Power in them: That no Temptation may ever be able to ſhake their Conſtancy; but that they may reſiſt even unto Blood, ſtriving againſt Sin; and may continue thy faithful Soldiers and Servants unto their Lives End.

Lord, grant them true Humility and Lowlineſs of Mind; that they be not puffed up with a Conceit of their own Holineſs: But make them always to remember, and ſeriouſly to conſider; that it is Thou only that makeſt them to differ from the worſt of Sinners.

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I beſeech Thee alſo to inſpire them with the Spirit of Truth, Unity, and Concord; that there may be no Diviſions among them, but that they may be perfectly joined together in the ſame Mind, and in the ſame Judgment.

And ſince all their Succeſs depends on thy Favour and Bleſſing, I humbly and earneſtly beſeech Thee, to look down with an Eye of Favour and Bleſſing upon them; to aſſiſt and proſper all their pious and charitable Endeavours. O be Thou graciouſly pleaſed to make them very ſucceſsful in promoting thy Honour and Glory, and ſuppreſſing all Vice and Prophaneneſs: And grant them true Zeal, unwearied Diligence, and undaunted Courage therein; that they may as induſtriouſly combine to propitiate, as others do to provoke Thee: And let them not only deliver their own Souls, but obtain Mercy alſo for this crooked and perverſe Generation; even ſuch a mighty Grace as may be effectual to reduce us.

Hear me, good Lord; and grant them all theſe Graces and Bleſſings, and whatever elſe Thou ſeeſt neceſſary for them, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

A ſhort-

A ſhorter Prayer in behalf of the Societies.

O Holy and gracious Lord, who deſpiſeſt not the Mean, nor acceptest the Perſons of the Mighty; I beſeech Thee, incline thine Ears to the Supplications which I preſent unto Thee, in behalf of all religious Societies. Oh! deliver them from the Sins and Errors, the Schiſms and Hereſies of the Age. Give them Grace to pray daily for the Peace of the Church, and earneſtly to ſeek it; and to excite all they can to praiſe and love Thee.

Grant that by the Holineſs of their Lives, they may adorn the Doctrine of the Church of *England*; take off the Scandal our Licentiouſneſs has given to them that are without, and evidence their Relation to the Prince of Peace and Holineſs.

Give them Grace, I moſt humbly beſeech Thee, to reſiſt all Temptations to Sin and Vanity; and to improve all thoſe Helps to true Piety, all thoſe Means of Grace and Incentives of thy Love, Thou mercifully indulgeſt them: That they may with primitive Affections and Fervour praiſe and ſerve Thee; that they may all love one another, and all join in loving Thee.

And

And becauſe of themſelves they are not able to do any of theſe things, or to think ſo much as one good Thought; I humbly and earneſtly beſeech Thee, to grant them continual Supplies of thy Grace: That they may continue in thy Love to their Lives End; and being faithful unto Death, may receive the Crown of Life, which Thou haſt promiſed to thoſe that fight a good Fight, and endure to the End. Grant this, and whatever elſe Thou ſeeſt neceſſary or profitable for them, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake; to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghoſt be all Honour and Glory both now and for ever. *Amen. Amen.*

Short Prayers and Ejaculations to be uſed as we ſee Occaſion.

For a devout Frame of Spirit.

GLory be to Thee, O Thou heavenly Guide of our Devotion and our Love, who, by teaching us to pray, haſt ſhewed us; that Prayer is the Treaſury, where all our Bleſſings are kept; the Armoury, where all our Strength and Weapons are ſtored; the great Preſervative, and the vital Heat of Divine Love

O my God, give me Grace to call on Thee at all Times by diligent Prayer. May I ever keep my ſelf in thy Love, by praying in the Holy Ghoſt, and by praying without ceaſing; ſince I inceſſantly want the Succours of thy Love.

Ah! Lord, I know my Devotion has daily many unavoidable and neceſſary Interruptions; and I cannot always be actually praying: All I can do is to beg of thy Love to keep my Heart always in an habitual Diſpoſition to Devotion, and in Mindfulneſs of thy Divine Preſence; that I may perpetuate my Prayers by frequent Ejaculations.

O my God, as thy infinite Love is ever ſtreaming in Bleſſings on me, ſo let my Soul be ever breathing Love to Thee.

At going out.

LORD Jeſus, be Thou with my Spirit: And give thy Angels charge over me, to keep me in all my Ways. Keep me in thy Fear and Favour; and preſerve me from all Dangers of Soul and Body.

When

When we begin any Buſineſs.

HELP me, Good Lord, I beſeech Thee: O Lord, ſend me now Proſperity. Guide and direct, bleſs and proſper me; and grant that what I am going about, may tend to the Advancement of thy Glory and my Soul's Good, through Jeſus Chriſt my Lord. *Amen.*

At Work.

TEACH me, O Lord, to improve my precious Time, and not to ſpend it in Idleneſs or Sin; but to diſpatch the Work on which my endleſs Life depends, and to live as I ſhall wiſh at laſt that I had lived.

O Thou who madeſt all Things for thy Glory, I beſeech Thee ſuffer me not to live an unprofitable Part of thy Creation; but grant I may be always doing ſomething of thy Will.

When we are alone.

WHerever I am, whatever I do, Thou, Lord, ſeeſt me: O keep me in thy Fear all the Day long. Keep me from Sin and Death eternal, and from all my Enemies viſible and inviſible.

Give

Give me Grace to live a holy Life; and thy Favour, that I may die a godly and a happy Death. O Lord, hear the Prayer of thy Servant; and grant me thy holy Spirit.

When we are going into Company.

LORD, I recommend my ſelf to thy Protection, preſerve me from all Sin and Danger; and grant that whatſoever I ſhall think, or do, or ſpeak, may tend to the Advancement of thy Glory, and the Good of my ſelf and others.

Tranſcribe thy Graces on my Soul and Life; that my Converſation may ſhew that I am thy Diſciple indeed, reſolved to live and die, and riſe with Thee to eternal Glory: And as Thou, my God, who haſt called me, art holy; ſo may I be holy in all Manner of Converſation.

O let me remember that I am a Chriſtian, and have vowed my ſelf to thy Service; and let me be diligent to ſerve Thee, in keeping even the leaſt of thy Commandments.

O Holy Jeſus, attract my Soul with thy Beauty. Teach me to tread in thy Steps. Let thy Example be ever before me; and wherever I am, let me do nothing unworthy of it.

When we hear any Good of our Acquaintance.

O Let them grow in Grace, and go on from Virtue to Virtue, and be fruitful in every good Word and Work.

When we hear any Ill.

O Lord, I beſeech Thee, grant them a Sight of their Folly and Madneſs before it be too late. Let not Iniquity be their Ruine; but grant them true Repentance unto Life, not to be repented of.

Though the World lies in Wickedneſs; yet let not the Familiarity and common Practices of Men be any Temptation to me: Let me ever look up to that great and glorious God that forbids it, and count my ſelf happier in his Favour, than in all the Solaces and Flatteries of evil Men.

When we are deſpiſed for Righteouſneſs Sake.

GLory be to Thee, O gracious Lord, for admitting me to this great Honour. O let me ever eſteem the Re-

proach of Chriſt greater Riches than all the Treaſures of this World.

I muſt ſtand or fall at laſt by thy juſt Sentence, who wilt not value the Talk of vain Perſons: O let this Belief influence my Life, and all my Actions.

Let me ſee with other Eyes than carnal Men ſee. Make me a Follower of thoſe wiſe and excellent Souls, that deſpiſe the World, and labour for Glory, and Honour, and Immortality.

O Thou who didſt endure the Croſs, and deſpiſe the Shame, give me a holy Ambition to be like Thee: Give me Grace to follow Thee, the Captain of my Salvation, through Honour and Diſhonour, through evil Report and good Report; and in ſpight of all Oppoſition, let me continue thy faithful and unfeigned Servant to my Life's End: That I may at laſt obtain the Crown of Life (which Thou haſt laid up for thoſe that fight a good Fight, and endure to the End) for thy Merits and Mercies Sake, O holy and ever bleſſed Jeſus. *Amen. Amen.*

When we are Hungry, or Thirſty.

O Holy Lord Jeſus, who haſt pronounced thoſe bleſſed that hunger and thirſt after Righteouſneſs, and promiſed

miſed that they ſhall be filled; make me one of that happy Number. O that it might be my Meat and Drink, as it was Thine, to do the Will of thy heavenly Father.

Lord, grant me an habitual, pure Intention of thy Glory in all my Actions; that whether I eat or drink, or whatever I do, I may do all to the Honour of Thee my Beloved.

Before Reading.

LORD, open Thou my Eyes, that I may ſee the great Things of thy Law, and the Myſteries of the Goſpel. It is thy abundant Love to this Nation, O gracious Lord, that Thou indulgeſt thy Word to us in our own Mother Tongue; that we have free Acceſs to thoſe dear Volumes, and may from thence daily, and on all Occaſions, apply proper Fewel to our Love and Devotion.

Lord, give me Grace to ſtudy thy Knowledge; that the more I know Thee, the more I may love Thee. Grant that I may always read and hear thy Word, the heavenly Regiſter of thy Love, with a ſerious Attention, and inflamable Heart, and a particular Application; and ever learn from it ſome Leſſon of thy Love.

After Reading.

BLeſſed art Thou, O Lord, O teach me thy Statutes. O let thy Word be daily my Delight, my Counſellor, and my Meditation. Grant that the Knowledge Thou haſt given me, may have ſuch an Efficacy on my Practice, that it may always guide, never upbraid me. O let it bring forth Fruit to Life eternal, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

When we find our Thoughts vain or roving in holy Duties.

MY Soul cleaveth to the Duſt, quicken Thou me according to thy Word.

O ſuppreſs all theſe fooliſh vain Thoughts which diſturb my Devotion: Raiſe up my dull and earthly Mind from grovelling here below, and inſpire me with a holy Zeal to ſeek the Things that are above.

O my God, draw near unto me; and touch my Mind with ſuch a powerful Senſe of Thee, as may lift me up above all earthly Things, and continually carry forth my Soul in vehement Deſires after Thee. Lord, aſſiſt and accept me, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen.*

When

When we are Dull or Drowſie.

O Lord, hear my Prayer, and let my Cry come unto Thee. Lord, pardon the Weakneſs of my Prayers, and ſuffer not my Wandrings and Dulneſs, and infinite Unworthineſs, to turn them into Sin.

Let thy good Spirit help my Infirmities; give me a praying Spirit, and let my Soul follow hard after Thee. O do Thou touch my cold and earthly Deſires with an outſtretched Ray from thy ſelf, and cauſe them to riſe and flame up to Thee, in Fervours anſwerable to my preſſing Wants; that I may ſo ask, as that I may receive; ſo ſeek, as that I may find; ſo knock, as that it may be opened unto me; through Jeſus Chriſt my bleſſed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

After any Sin committed.

LORD, be merciful to me a poor miſerable Sinner; heal my Soul, for I have ſinned againſt Thee.

I have ſinned, O Lord, I have ſinned, and done Evil in thy Sight. I have grievouſly offended Thee, by * ---- But I humbly and earneſtly beſeech Thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake, that Thou wilt

not lay this Sin to my Charge; but mercifully acquit me, and receive me into thy Favour. Father, forgive me. Lord Jeſus have Mercy upon me.

Thou art a God forgiving Iniquity; forgive that which lies ſo heavy upon me. Thou art the Saviour of Sinners; ſave me who am a moſt grievous Sinner, and let me not periſh in my Sins. Holy Father, have Mercy upon me; ſweet Jeſus, cleanſe and ſave me. Waſh away the Stain of my Sins, and ſpeak Peace to my affrighted Conſcience; revive and comfort my broken Heart.

O ſpeak Peace to my poor Heart; and let me know, and feel, that Thou forgiveſt me. And grant that the Senſe of theſe my Miſcarriages may render me more careful and vigilant for the future; that I may bring forth Fruits of Repentance in Amendment of Life, to the Praiſe and Glory of thy Grace in Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

After having done any Good.

BLeſſed be thy Name, O moſt gracious and merciful Father, for thoſe great and numberleſs Favours which from time to time Thou haſt heaped upon me, who am leſs than the leaſt of thy Mercies. 'Tis to thy Grace that I owe all the Good

I have done; and 'tis by thy Aid that I have eſcaped all the Evils I have been tempted to: Wherefore not unto me, O Lord, not unto my Strength or Endeavours, but unto thy Name, be all the Praiſe, and Honour, and Glory.

O my adored Benefactor, who art a never-failing Friend to all thoſe that humbly depend upon Thee, I bleſs and praiſe thy glorious Name, for this Experience I have had of thy indulgent Kindneſs.

Praiſed be thy Name, that Thou haſt not ſuffered me to be tempted above what I was able, but haſt ſo powerfully aſſiſted me, and by putting ſo many good Thoughts in my Mind, haſt ſtrengthened my Reſolution, and rendered it ſo ſucceſsful and victorious.

O never let the Remembrance of this thy Goodneſs towards me depart from my Mind; but let it kindle in me ſuch a grateful Senſe, as may more and more incite me to love and obey Thee. And grant that my Heart may be ſo inflamed with the Remembrance of thy Goodneſs, ſo encouraged with the happy Succeſs Thou haſt now vouchſafed me, and ſo endeared to the Practice of Virtue by the growing Delights and Pleaſures of it, that I may perſiſt in my Chriſtian Courſe with greater Courage and Alacrity. All

this I humbly beg for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

In the Time of Trouble.

O Father of Mercies, be Thou my Support and Stay under all this Trouble and Heavineſs; and let not thy Mercies nor my Faith fail me, when all things elſe do.

I know, O Lord, that thy Judgments are right, and that Thou of very Faithfulneſs haſt cauſed me to be troubled.

O let thy Smiting reclaim and amend me; and then let thy Comforts revive me. Let thy dear Son's moſt precious Blood expiate all my Sins; and let his Grace enable me to bring forth all the Fruits of Righteouſneſs.

Heavenly Father, my Hope is wholly in thy Mercy, and in the Merits and Sufferings of my crucified Saviour. O for his Sake forgive and ſave me. *Amen.*

When we are in Danger.

O Lord, who in thy Wiſdom knoweſt what is beſt for me; all Glory be to Thee. Lord, if it ſeem good in thy Sight, I beſeech Thee to avert this Danger which now threatens me; and grant that I may uſe thy Bleſſings to thy Glory, and praiſe thy Name. But

But if it be thy Pleaſure that this Affliction ſhould befal me; give me Grace to ſubmit humbly and cheerfully to thy Diſpenſations, and to acquieſce in thy Choice as beſt for me.

O Thou that haſt made me, conſider my Frailty; and lay no more upon me than Thou wilt enable me to bear. Lord, I am weak and ignorant, timorous and inconſtant; and I fear leſt ſomething ſhould happen that may diſcompoſe the State of my Soul, and diſpleaſe Thee: Thou knoweſt that this is my great Fear; but let thy Spirit ſecure, that nothing may be able to ſeparate me from thy Love, or tempt me to offend Thee. Do what Thou wilt with me, ſo Thou doſt but preſerve me in thy Fear and Favour. Thou art good and gracious, and I throw my ſelf upon thy Mercy. Let me never let go my hold; and do Thou with me what ſeems good in thy own Eyes. I cannot ſuffer more than my Sins have deſerved; and yet I can need no Relief ſo great as thy Mercy is: For Thou art infinitely more merciful than I can be miſerable; and thy Mercy, which is above all thy Works, muſt needs be above all my Sin, and all my Miſery. Deareſt Jeſus, let me truſt in Thee for ever; and let me never be confounded. *Amen.*

After any Bleſſing, or Deliverance.

IT is of the Lord's Mercies that I am not conſumed, becauſe his Compaſſions fail not.

O Lord, I render Thee moſt humble and hearty Thanks for the great Bleſſing Thou haſt now vouchſafed me.

Praiſed be the Lord, which hath not caſt out my Prayer, nor turned his Mercy from me. Lord, grant me ſuch a Senſe of this thy Goodneſs as may expreſs it ſelf in a thankful and zealous Obedience: That I living here to thy Glory, may at laſt enter into the Joy of my Lord, and ſpend a whole Eternity in thy Praiſes. *Amen. Amen.*

When we ſee plentiful Proviſion for our bodily Suſtenance.

GLory be to Thee, O Heavenly Benefactor, who openeſt thy Hand, and filleſt all things living with Plenteouſneſs. Glory be to Thee, who giveſt us Life, and Breath, and all things; who giveſt us fruitful Seaſons, and filleſt our Hearts with Food and Gladneſs.

O let it be thy good Pleaſure to give me, and all that wait on thy benificent

Love,

Love, ſuch a Competence as thy Divine Wiſdom ſees fitteſt for us; and grant that in the Strength of thy Proviſions we may cheerfully, actively, and diligently ſerve Thee.

Above all, O Lord, give us the Bread of Life, that Bread which came down from Heaven, the Body and Blood of thy moſt bleſſed Son, to feed our Souls to Life eternal.

Bleſſed Jeſus; O that it might be my Meat and Drink, as it was Thine, to do the Will of thy Heavenly Father.

When we hear a Paſſing-Bell.

O Lord, I beſeech Thee have Mercy upon all ſick and dying Perſons; let their Sins be done away by thy Mercy, and their Pardon be ſealed in Heaven, before they go hence and be no more ſeen.

O brighteſt Jeſus, ſhine gloriouſly upon them; let thy Mercy, and the Light of thy Countenance, ſuſtain them in all their Agonies, Weakneſſes and Temptations. Let thy mighty Spirit work in them whatever Thou ſeeſt wanting to fit them for thy Mercy and Acceptation: Support them under, and graciouſly deliver them out of all their Diſtreſſes, for thine own infinite Merits and Mercies Sake. *Amen.*

In

In great Mercy, O Lord, fit and prepare me for my latter End; and whenever Thou art pleaſed to take me hence, do Thou receive my Soul into endleſs and everlaſting Happineſs.

O let the laſt Trump be ever ſounding in my Ears, that I may be always mindful of my great Accounts; that I may neither ſpeak, nor do, nor think any thing that may wound my Conſcience, or provoke thy Anger, or make me tremble at thy awful Day.

At any Time.

O Lord God, I have ſworn and am ſtedfaſtly purpoſed to keep thy righteous Judgments. O hold Thou up my Goings in thy Paths, that my Footſteps ſlip not.

My good God, keep me always Thine; and let nothing ever be able to divorce me from thy Love.

O bounteous God, to all thy Favours add this one, of making me to eſteem Thee above them all.

Lord, keep me from all Evil, but eſpecially from Sin; and let all things work together for my Good.

O bleſſed Spirit, ſhed abroad the Love of God in my Heart.

Lord,

Lord, daily increaſe my Faith, make it active and fruitful; that I may believe and love Thee, as entirely as becomes one entirely devoted to Thee.

Lord, do Thou conduct my whole Life, ſteer every Motion of my Soul towards the great End of my Creation; to love and glorifie Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O Heavenly Father, for firſt loving us, and giving the deareſt Thing Thou hadſt for us: O help me to love again, and to think nothing too dear for Thee.

O Thou eternal Source of Goodneſs, give me Grace to imitate thy boundleſs Goodneſs; let thy Love work in me a univerſal Propenſion to love, and to do good to all Men, to be merciful to others, as Thou Lord art merciful.

O let my Mouth be filled with thy Praiſe, that I may ſing of thy Glory and Honour all the Day long.

O Lord God, who ſeeſt that I am not able of my ſelf to ſerve Thee, and to keep thy Commandments; I beſeech Thee to help and ſtrengthen me by thy ſpecial Grace, that I may daily and ſincerely perform my Duty towards Thee, and my Duty towards my Neighbour.

Lord, make me ſuch as Thou wouldeſt have me to be; vouchſafe me all

thoſe Graces and Bleſſings Thou ſeeſt wanting in me, and neceſſary for me; and encreaſe all the good Gifts Thou haſt already beſtowed upon me.

O my God, I humbly, I earneſtly pray to Thee, to give me continual Supplies of thy Grace, that I may continue in thy Love unto my Life's End; and being faithful unto Death, may receive a Crown of Life.

Unto him that lov'd us, and waſh'd us from our Sins in his own Blood, be Glory and Dominion, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O Thou that ſitteſt at the right Hand of God, uſing all thy powerful Intereſt there in Behalf of thy Servants; have Mercy upon me, and make my Peace in Heaven.

I beſeech Thee, join thy powerful Interceſſion with my humble Suits to the Throne of Grace; that for thy Sake I may be heard, and graciouſly accepted; and may obtain all my Petitions, and whatever elſe Thou ſeeſt neceſſary or profitable for me, or any of thy Servants, in order to thy Glory and our Soul's Good. Amen, Lord, ſo be it, for thine infinite Merits and Mercies Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

Glory be to Thee, O Lord moſt High.

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THE *foregoing* Collection of Prayers *being deſigned only for the Uſe of a private Perſon, there were no* Family Prayers *in the Firſt Edition: But upon the Reprinting thereof, it was thought fit to add a* Morning *and* Evening *Prayer for a* Family; *which may be uſeful to ſome Perſons who are not better provided: And 'tis greatly to be wiſh'd; that no Family, that deſires to be called* Chriſtian, *would omit the* Morning *and* Evening Oblations *required by God. Let thoſe that have failed herein, conſider ſeriouſly theſe Words of the Prophet* Jeremy, (*Jer.* x. 25.) Pour out thy Fury upon the Heathen that know Thee not, and upon the Families that call not upon thy Name.

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A Morning-Prayer, for the Uſe of a Family.

MAY the good Spirit of God diſpoſe us unto, and aſſiſt us in his Service. The Lord give us all a true and lively Senſe of our Wants, and of his Mercy and Preſence amongſt us, that we may ſerve him with our Hearts, as well as with our Bodies; and that our Prayers may be heard, for the Sake of his Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, by whom the whole World is preſerved and governed; we moſt humbly adore thine infinite Majeſty and Perfection, praiſing thine holy Name, for the continual Expreſſions of thy Bounty and Goodneſs to us: Particularly for our Preſervation from the Dangers of the Night paſt, and for the many Comforts in which we are brought to the Beginning of this Day.

Thou, O Lord, art Holy and Bleſſed: But we are vile and abominable; and deſerve

deſerve to be moſt miſerable: For we have broken thy holy and righteous Laws, ſinning wilfully after the Knowledge of the Truth, and the Vows we have made; doing thoſe Things which we knew Thou haſt forbidden, and neglecting to do thoſe Things Thou haſt expreſly commanded: And thereby we have provoked thy Wrath and Indignation againſt us. But, O Thou that art, by Jeſus Chriſt thy Son, reconciling the World to thy Self, not imputing their Treſpaſſes, be merciful unto us, for the Sake of that bleſſed Mediator: Through his ſatisfactory Oblation, O Lord, pardon all that is paſt, and give us Grace to ſerve Thee more faithfully for the Time to come.

We acknowledge thy great Patience and Mercy to us, O God, in ſparing us when we deſerve Puniſhment; and thy great Goodneſs and Bounty in giving us the Neceſſaries of this Life, and ſetting before us the Happineſs of a better State. Give us, we pray Thee, ſuch a Senſe of thy Goodneſs and Mercy, as may raiſe in us a conſtant Indignation to all Sin, and a vigorous Love and Regard to all thy Commandments: That as we advance in Years, we may grow in Grace, and may be the better prepared for our latter End, the nearer we approach to it.

it. Lord, increaſe our Faith, that we may walk as in thy Sight, fearing to offend Thee by any ſinful Thought, Word or Deed: And gird upon us the whole Armour of Thee our God, that we may vanquiſh all the Temptations of the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil. Make us an Houſhold fearing God, ſubmitting our Selves to thy good Pleaſure, and putting our whole Truſt in thy Mercy.

Grant us the continual Conduct of thy good Spirit, that we may live as it becometh the bleſſed Goſpel; being upright in our Hearts, ſavoury in our Speeches, and unblameable in our Lives. Make us diligent and proſperous in our lawful Buſineſs relating to this Life: And ſuffer not our Worldly Concerns to diminiſh our Heavenly-Mindedneſs; but make us fervent in Spirit, ſerving the Lord.

And becauſe we cannot be ſafe without thy Succour, defend us, we beſeech Thee, from all Dangers both of Soul and Body.

Make us ever ſenſible, that we depend upon Thee; that in all our Neceſſities we may look up to Thee for Help. And the gracious God give us what is needful for us, and an holy Contentment in all Conditions.

Give

Give us the Bleſſings of this Life, with thy Grace to direct us to the beſt Uſe of them: But above all things, give us the Bleſſings of the World to come, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

Be gracious, O Lord, to thy whole Church, eſpecially to that Part of it in theſe Kingdoms: Be pleaſed to bleſs and preſerve the King, and all the Royal Family. Grant that all Magiſtrates may be faithful in their Truſt, and zealous to promote thy Glory: And that all Miniſters of thy Goſpel may be ſerious, diligent and ſucceſsful in the Work of their holy Calling, being Examples of all good Works.

Let the whole Nation, and eſpecially this Neighbourhood, grow in the true Knowledge and Fear of Thee. Viſit with thy Grace and Bleſſing all our Relations, Friends and Benefactors. Forgive and reconcile both to thy ſelf and to us, all our Enemies. Comfort, relieve, and in thy own good Time, deliver all thy afflicted Servants: And ſanctifie, both to them and us, all thy Dealings; cauſing all Things in the End to work together for Good unto us.

O Lord, pardon the Infirmities of theſe our Prayers; and deal not with us according to our Deſervings, but according to thine infinite Mercies in thy beloved

loved Son: And grant us all thoſe Bleſſings He hath comprehended in that excellent Form of Words, which He hath taught us, when we pray, to ſay.

Our Father, which art, &c.

An Evening-Prayer, for the Uſe of a Family.

O God, the Father of Heaven, the God of Angels and Men, the Fountain of Goodneſs, and the Father of Compaſſions; have Mercy upon us miſerable Sinners; hear our Prayers, and accept us graciouſly through Jeſus Chriſt thy Son.

We confeſs, O Lord, with Shame and Sorrow, that we have grievouſly ſinned againſt Thee: We have neglected our Duty to Thee, our Neighbour, and our Selves; and tranſgreſſed thy Will, in Thought, Word, and Deed: Yea, we have Reaſon to fear, that we have this Day added to the Meaſure of our former Sins. O Lord, ſhouldeſt Thou enter into Judgment, what could we expect, but that fiery Indignation that conſumes thine Adverſaries, as the due Reward of our Sins? But, O Lord, there is Mercy with

with Thee; that Thou mayeſt be ſerved in Hope. O fit us for that Mercy, by giving us a deep and hearty Repentance; and then, according to thy Goodneſs, let thine Anger be turned away from us. Look favourably upon us, for the Sake of thy Bleſſed Son our Saviour; and for the Merit of his Sufferings, pardon all our Sins: And by the Power of thy Grace, ſo renew and purifie our Hearts, that we may become new Creatures; ſincerely forſaking every evil Way, and living in conſtant and univerſal Obedience to Thee all the reſt of our Days.

Let thy Holy Spirit, by whom we are called to this State of Salvation; be the Guide of our Lives, and lead us in the Way that we ſhould go; that we may, through his Aid, mortifie our corrupt Affections, and daily increaſe in all Virtue and Godlineſs. And give us Grace never to conſent to any known Wickedneſs, nor ever to grieve thy Holy Spirit, by which we are ſanctified.

Make us to ſee the Evil of Sin, that we may flee from it, and ſtrive againſt it, as againſt the greateſt Evil that can befal us. And may the Senſe of our Infirmities and Backſlidings

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make us ſerious and careful to avoid all Temptations to Sin, to look up to Thee for Help, and to uſe all the Means of Grace which thy Goodneſs ſhall afford us; that we may receive the Fulneſs of thy Grace, and remain in the Number of thy faithful Servants all the Days of our Life.

Enlighten our Souls with ſaving Truth. Correct us in Mercy, when we grow careleſs of our Salvation. Make us ever mindful of our latter End. From ſudden, and from eternal Death, Good Lord, deliver us.

We beſeech Thee, O God, that thy Grace may ever be with us, to keep us from all Thoughts, Words, and Actions, that we ſhould have Cauſe to repent of. Let thy Grace, which is ſufficient, ſecure us from the Temptations of the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil; that we may not follow, nor be led by them.

Lord, make us ſenſible, that we wholly depend upon Thee, for Life and Health, Proſperity and Comfort. Let it be our Delight, as well as our Duty, to ſerve Thee faithfully. Continue to us thy Bleſſings, we beſeech Thee; and give us Grace, never to abuſe them.

Defend us in all Dangers, comfort us in all Afflictions, direct us when we know not what to do; and bring us, in thy good Time, to thy Heavenly Kingdom, for Jeſus Chriſt his Sake.

We confeſs, O gracious Lord, that we are not worthy of the leaſt of all the Mercies, which Thou haſt ſhewed thy Servants; for we wholly depend upon Thee: And therefore we do moſt humbly thank Thee for all thy Favours; thy continual Care over us, thy Patience towards us, thy fatherly Corrections, thy merciful Deliverances: Particularly, we thank and adore thy great Goodneſs, for the Preſervations and Bleſſings of the Day paſt: But above all, for the unſpeakable Benefits of the Death of Chriſt; That we are Chriſtians, and in the Way of Salvation. O Lord, preſerve in our Souls, a lively Senſe and Remembrance of all thy Bleſſings; that we may be affected with thy Goodneſs, may ſtill partake of thy Kindneſs, and may continue in thy Favour, and under the Direction of thy good Spirit, unto our Lives End.

In Confidence that Thou heareſt us, and art every where, and never ſlumbereſt nor ſleepeſt; we commit our ſelves to the Cuſtody of thy watchful

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Providence this Night; to be ſecured and protected by Thee, when we cannot in the leaſt contribute to our own Preſervation. May it pleaſe thy Goodneſs, to give this whole Family comfortable Reſt and Repoſe: O Lord, defend our Habitation, and all about us, from Fire, and all calamitous Accidents; deliver us from the Power of evil Spirits, and of evil Men; and raiſe us up in Health of Body and Ability of Mind, cheerfully to praiſe and glorifie Thee both in Soul and Body, and to ſerve Thee faithfully, the next Day.

Shew Mercy, O Lord, to the whole World. Let the Goſpel of thy Son run, and be glorified, throughout all the Earth. Particularly, we beſeech Thee, to be gracious to this Church and Nation: Grant that we may be ſo humbled and reformed, as that we may be pardoned and ſpared.

Pour down Abundance of thy Bleſſings upon the *King*, and all the Royal Family: Give them Grace to exceed others, as much in Goodneſs as in Greatneſs; and make them ſignal Inſtruments of thy Glory, and of the publick Good.

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Bleſs all our Governours both in Church and State: So rule their Hearts, and ſtrengthen their Hands, that they may neither want Will nor Power to puniſh Wickedneſs and Vice, and to maintain thy true Religion and Virtue.

Viſit with thy Grace and Mercy, all thy afflicted Servants; relieve all their particular Neceſſities of Body and Mind, give them Patience and Submiſſion to thy bleſſed Will, and in thy due Time deliver them from all their Troubles: And let this be the happy Effect of all thy Diſpenſations, both to them and us, even to bring us nearer to thy Self.

Bleſs all our Friends and Relations; and all that have done Good to us, or others for thy Sake: Be pleaſed to aſſiſt them by thy Grace; comfort them in their Troubles, protect them in all Dangers; and grant them whatſoever Thou ſeeſt neceſſary, either to their Souls or Bodies.

Have Mercy, Lord, on all that ſue for Mercy; ſupply the Needs of all that want: And grant us all ſuch Meaſures of thy Grace, as may enable us to perſevere in Well-doing; that growing up to ſuch Degrees of Holineſs,

as this mortal State is capable of, we may at laſt attain the Perfection of it in thy Kingdom.

O Lord, pardon the Wandrings and Coldneſs of theſe our Prayers; and deal not with us according to our Deſerts, but according to the Freedom and Fulneſs of thy Mercies in Jeſus Chriſt; in whoſe bleſſed Name and Words, we recommend our Selves, and all that belong to us, to thine abundant Mercy.

Our Father, &c.

A Morning-Hymn.

AWake, my Soul; and with the Sun
Thy daily Stage of Duty run:
Shake off dull Sloth, and early riſe,
To pay thy Morning Sacrifice.

Redeem thy miſpent Time that's paſt;
Live this Day as if 'twere thy laſt:
To improve thy Talent take due Care;
'Gainſt the Great Day thy ſelf prepare.

Let all thy Converſe be ſincere;
Thy Conſcience as the Noon-Day clear.
Think how All-Seeing God thy Ways,
And all thy ſecret Thoughts ſurveys.

Influenc'd by the Light Divine,
Let thy own Light in good Works ſhine:
Reflect all Heaven's propitious Rays,
In ardent Love, and cheerful Praiſe.

Stir up thy Self my thankful Heart;
And with the Angels bear thy Part:
Who all Night long unwearied ſing,
Glory to the Eternal King.

Glory to Thee, who ſafe has kept,
And haſt refreſht me whilſt I ſlept:
Grant, Lord, when I from Death ſhall wake
I may of endleſs Life partake.

I would not wake, nor riſe again ;
Ev'n Heav'n it ſelf I would diſdain,
Wer't not Thou there to be enjoy'd,
And I in Hymns to be imploy'd.

Heav'n is, dear Lord, where'er Thou art,
O never then from me depart ;
For to my Soul 'tis Hell to be
But for one Moment without Thee.

Lord, I my Vows to Thee renew,
Scatter my Sins as Morning Dew :
Guard my firſt Springs of Thought and Will ;
And with thy Self my Spirit fill.

Direct, control, ſuggeſt this Day,
All I deſign, or do, or ſay :
That all my Pow'rs, with all their Might,
In thy ſole Glory may unite.

Praiſe God, from whom all Bleſſings flow ;
Praiſe him, all Creatures here below ;
Praiſe him above, ye Angelick Hoſt :
Praiſe Father, Son, and Holy Ghoſt.

An Evening-Hymn.

GLory to Thee, my God, this Night,
For all the Bleſſings of the Light :
Keep me, O keep me, King of Kings,
Under thy own Almighty Wings.

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Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,
The Ill which I this Day have done:
That with the World, my ſelf, and Thee,
I, e're I ſleep, at Peace may be.

Teach me to live, that I may dread
The Grave as little as my Bed:
Teach me to die, that ſo I may
Triumphing riſe at the laſt Day.

O may my Soul on Thee repoſe,
And with ſweet Sleep my Eye-lids cloſe:
Sleep that may me more vig'rous make,
To ſerve my God when I awake.

When in the Night I ſleepleſs lie,
My Soul with Heav'nly Thoughts ſupply:
Let no ill Dreams diſturb my Reſt,
No Pow'rs of Darkneſs me moleſt.

But though Sleep o'er my Frailty reigns,
Let it not hold me long in Chains:
And now and then let looſe my Heart,
Till it an Hallelujah dart.

The faſter Sleep the Senſe does bind,
The more unfetter'd is the Mind;
O may my Soul from Matter free,
Thy unvail'd Goodneſs waking ſee.

O when ſhall I in endleſs Day,
For ever chaſe dark Sleep away:

And endleſs Praiſe, with th' Heavenly Choir,
Inceſſant ſing, and never tire!

May my bleſt Guardian, whilſt I ſleep,
Cloſe to my Bed his Vigils keep;
Divine Love into me inſtil,
Stop all the Avenues of Ill.

Thought to Thought with my Soul converſe,
Celeſtial Joys to me rehearſe:
And in my Stead, all the Night long,
Sing to my God a grateful Song.

Praiſe God, &c.

A Midnight-Hymn.

LORD, now my Sleep does me forſake,
The ſole Poſſeſſion of me take:
Let no vain Fancy me illude,
No one impure Deſire intrude.

Bleſt Angels! while we ſilent lie,
You Hallelujahs ſing on high:
You, ever wakeful near the Throne,
Proſtrate, adore the Three in One.

I now awake do with you join,
To praiſe our God in Hymns Divine:
With you in Heav'n I hope to dwell,
And bid the Night and World farewell.

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My Soul, when I ſhake off this Duſt,
Lord, in thy Arms I will entruſt:
O make me thy peculiar Care,
Some Heav'nly Manſion me prepare.

Give me a Place at thy Saints Feet;
Or ſome fall'n Angel's vacant Seat:
I'll ſtrive to ſing as loud as they,
Who ſit above in brighter Day.

O may I always ready ſtand,
With my Lamp burning in my Hand:
May I in ſight of Heav'n rejoice,
When e'er I hear the Bridegroom's Voice.

Glory to Thee in Light array'd,
Who Light thy dwelling Place haſt made:
An immenſe Ocean of bright Beams,
From thy All-glorious Godhead ſtreams.

The Sun in its Meridian height,
Is very Darkneſs in thy ſight:
My Soul O lighten, and enflame,
With Thought and Love of thy great Name.

Bleſt Jeſu, Thou, on Heav'n intent,
Whole Nights haſt in Devotion ſpent:
But I, frail Creature, ſoon am tir'd,
And all my Zeal is ſoon expir'd.

My Soul, how canſt thou weary grow,
Of Anti-dating Heav'n below,

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In ſacred Hymns, and Divine Love,
Which will Eternal be above?

Shine on me, Lord, new Life impart;
Freſh ardours kindle in my Heart:
One Ray of thy All-quickning Light,
Diſpels the Sloth and Clouds of Night.

Lord, leſt the Tempter me ſurprize,
Watch over thine own Sacrifice:
All looſe, all idle Thoughts caſt out;
And make my very Dreams devout.

Praiſe God, from whom all Bleſſings flow;
Praiſe him, all Creatures here below;
Praiſe him above, ye Angelick Hoſt;
Praiſe Father, Son, and Holy Ghoſt.

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The Order for the Administration of the Lords Supper, or holy Communion.

OUR Father, which art in Heaven; Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Collect.

ALmighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all deſires known, and from whom no ſecrets are hid; Cleanſe the thoughts of our hearts by the inſpiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnifie thy holy Name, through Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall the Prieſt, turning to the People, rehearſe diſtinctly all the Ten Commandments; and the People ſtill kneeling, ſhall after every Commandment ask God mercy for their tranſgreſſion thereof for the time paſt, and grace to keep the ſame for the time to come, as followeth.*

Miniſter.

GOd ſpake theſe words, and ſaid, I am the Lord thy God: Thou ſhalt have none other Gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not make to thy self any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbours house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbours wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

¶ *Then shall follow one of these two Collects for the Queen, the Priest standing as before, and saying,*

Let us pray.

ALmighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite; Have mercy upon the whole Church, and so rule the heart of thy chosen servant *ANNE*, our Queen and Governor, that she (knowing whose Minister she is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory; and that we and all her subjects (duly considering whose Authority she hath) may faithfully serve, honour and humbly obey her, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and Ordinance, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Or.*

ALmighty and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of kings are in thy rule and governance, and that thou dost

diſpoſe and turn them as it ſeemeth beſt to thy godly wiſdom; We humbly beſeech thee ſo to diſpoſe and govern the heart of *ANNE* thy ſervant, our Queen and Governor, that in all her thoughts, words, and works, ſhe may ever ſeek thy honour and glory, and ſtudy to preſerve thy people committed to her charge, in wealth, peace, and godlineſs. Grant this, O merciful Father, for thy dear Sons ſake Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall be ſaid the Collect of the Day. And immediately after the Collect, the Prieſt ſhall read the Epiſtle, ſaying,* The Epiſtle, [*or,* The portion of Scripture appointed for the Epiſtle] is written in the--- Chapter of---beginning at the---verſe. *And the Epiſtle ended, he ſhall ſay,* Here endeth the Epiſtle. *Then ſhall be read the Goſpel (the People all ſtanding up) ſaying,* The holy Goſpel is written in the---Chapter of---beginning at the---verſe. *And the Goſpel ended, ſhall be ſung or ſaid the Creed following, the People ſtill ſtanding as before.*

I Believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things viſible and inviſible:

And in one Lord Jeſus Chriſt, the only begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one ſubſtance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our ſalvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghoſt of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified alſo for us under Pontius Pilate. He ſuffered and was buried, And the third day he roſe again according to the ſcriptures, And aſcended into heaven, and ſitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he ſhall come again with glory

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to judge both the quick and the dead: Whoſe kingdom ſhall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghoſt, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worſhipped and glorified, Who ſpake by the prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apoſtolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptiſm for the remiſſion of ſins, And I look for the reſurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *Then ſhall the Prieſt return to the Lords Table, and begin the Offertory, ſaying one or more of theſe Sentences following, as he thinketh moſt convenient in his diſcretion.*

LEt your light ſo ſhine before men, that they may ſee your good works, and glorifie your Father which is in heaven. S. *Mat.* 5. 16.

Lay not up for your ſelves treaſure upon earth, where the ruſt and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and ſteal: but lay up for your ſelves treaſures in heaven, where neither ruſt nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and ſteal. *S. Mat.* 6. 19, 20.

Whatſoever ye would that men ſhould do unto you, even ſo do unto them; for this is the law and the prophets. S. *Mat* 7. 12.

Not every one that ſaith unto me, Lord, Lord, ſhall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doth the will of my Father which is in heaven. S. *Mat.* 7. 21.

Zaccheus ſtood forth, and ſaid unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor, and if I have done any wrong to any man, I reſtore four-fold. S. *Luke* 19. 8.

Who goeth a warfare at any time of his own coſt? who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of

the fruit thereof? or who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock? 1 *Cor.* 9. 7.

If we have ſown unto you ſpiritual things, is it a great matter if we ſhall reap your worldly things? 1 *Cor.* 9. 11.

Do ye not know that they who miniſter about holy things, live of the ſacrifice? and they who wait at the altar, are partakers with the altar? Even ſo hath the Lord alſo ordained, that they who preach the Goſpel, ſhould live of the Goſpel. 1 *Cor.* 9. 13, 14.

He that ſoweth little, ſhall reap little: and he that ſoweth plenteouſly, ſhall reap plenteouſly. Let every man do according as he is diſpoſed in his heart, nor grudgingly, or of neceſſity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 *Cor.* 9. 6, 7.

Let him that is taught in the word, miniſter unto him that teacheth, in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatſoever a man ſoweth, that ſhall he reap. *Gal.* 6. 6, 7.

While we have time, let us do good unto all men, and ſpecially unto them that are of the houſhold of faith. *Gal.* 6. 10.

Godlineſs is great riches if a man be content with that he hath: for we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry any thing out. 1 *Tim* 6. 6, 7.

Charge them who are rich in this world, that they be ready to give, and glad to diſtribute, laying up in ſtore for themſelves a good foundation againſt the time to come, that they may attain eternal life. 1 *Tim.* 6. 17, 18, 19.

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have ſhewed for his names ſake, who have miniſtred unto the ſaints, and yet do miniſter. *Heb.* 6. 10.

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To do good, and to diſtribute, forget not; for with ſuch ſacrifices God is pleaſed. *Heb.* 13. 16.

Whoſo hath this worlds good, and ſeeth his brother have need, and ſhutteth up his compaſſion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? 1 S. *Joh.* 3. 17.

Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man, and then the face of the Lord ſhall not be turned away from thee. *Tob.* 4. 7.

Be merciful after thy power. If thou haſt much, give plenteouſly. If thou haſt little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little: for ſo gathereſt thou thy ſelf a good reward in the day of neceſſity. *Tob.* 4. 8, 9.

He that hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lord; and look what he layeth out, it ſhall be paid him again. *Prov.* 19. 17.

Bleſſed be the man that provideth for the ſick and needy: the Lord ſhall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Pſal.* 41. 1.

¶ *Whilſt theſe Sentences are in reading, the Deacons, Church-wardens, or other fit Perſon appointed for that purpoſe, ſhall receive the Alms for the poor, and other Devotions of the people, in a decent baſon, to be provided by the Pariſh for that purpoſe; and reverently bring it to the Prieſt, who ſhall humbly preſent and place it upon the holy Table.*

¶ *And when there is a Communion, the Prieſt ſhall then place upon the Table ſo much Bread and Wine, as he ſhall think ſufficient. After which done, the Prieſt ſhall ſay,*

Let us pray for the whole ſtate of Chriſts Church militant here in earth.

ALmighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apoſtle haſt taught us to make prayers and

ſupplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beſeech thee moſt mercifully [* *to accept our alms and oblations, and*] to receive theſe our prayers, which we offer unto thy divine Majeſty, beſeeching thee to inſpire continually the univerſal Church with the ſpirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant that all they that do confeſs thy holy Name, may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love. We beſeech thee alſo to ſave and defend all Chriſtian Kings, Princes and Governors; and eſpecially thy ſervant *ANNE* our Queen, that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: and grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently miniſter juſtice, to the puniſhment of wickedneſs and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Biſhops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine ſet forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly adminiſter thy holy Sacraments: and to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and eſpecially to this congregation here preſent, that with meek heart and due reverence they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly ſerving thee in holineſs and righteouſneſs all the days of their life. And we moſt humbly beſeech thee of thy goodneſs, O Lord, to comfort and ſuccour all them, who is in this tranſitory life are in trouble, ſorrow, need, ſickneſs, or any other adverſity. And we alſo bleſs thy holy Name, for all thy ſervants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beſeeching thee to give us grace ſo to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly Kingdom. Grant this, O Father,

* *If there be no alms or oblations, then ſhall the words* [of accepting our alms and oblations] *be left out unſaid.*

Father, for Jesus Christs sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Minister giveth warning for the Celebration of the holy Communion, (which he shall always do upon the Sunday, or some Holy day immediately preceding) after the Sermon, or Homily ended, he shall read this Exhortation following.*

DEarly beloved, on---day next, I purpose through Gods assistance, to Administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed, the most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, to be by them received in remembrance of his meritorious cross and passion, whereby alone we obtain remission of our sins, and are made partakers of the kingdom of heaven. Wherefore it is our duty to render most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God our heavenly Father, for that he hath given his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual food and sustenance in that holy Sacrament. Which being so divine and comfortable a thing to them who receive it worthily, and so dangerous to them that will presume to receive it unworthily; my duty is to exhort you in the mean season to consider the dignity of that holy mystery, and the great peril of the unworthy receiving thereof, and so to search and examine your own consciences, (and that not lightly, and after the manner of dissemblers with God; but so) that ye may come holy and clean to such a heavenly feast, in the marriage-garment required by God in holy Scripture, and be received as worthy partakers of that holy Table.

The way and means thereto is: First, to examine your lives and conversations by the rule of

Gods commandments; and wherein ſoever ye ſhall perceive yourſelves to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, there to bewail your own ſinfulneſs, and to confeſs your ſelves to Almighty God, with full purpoſe of amendment of life. And if ye ſhall perceive your offences to be ſuch as are not only againſt God, but alſo againſt your neighbours, then ye ſhall reconcile your ſelves unto them, being ready to make reſtitution and ſatisfaction according to the uttermoſt of your powers, for all injuries and wrongs done by you to any other; and being likewiſe ready to forgive others that have offended you, as ye would have forgiveneſs of your offences at Gods hand: for otherwiſe the receiving the holy Communion doth nothing elſe but increaſe your damnation. Therefore if any of you be a blaſphemer of God, an hinderer or ſlanderer of his Word, an adulterer, or be in malice, or envy, or in any other grievous crime; repent you of your ſins, or elſe come not to that holy Table, leſt after the taking of that holy Sacrament, the devil enter into you, as he entred into Judas, and fill you full of all iniquities, and bring you to deſtruction both of body and ſoul.

And becauſe it is requiſite, that no man ſhould come to the holy Communion, but with a full truſt in Gods mercy, and with a quiet conſcience; therefore if there be any of you, who by this means cannot quiet his own conſcience herein, but requireth further comfort or counſel; let him come to me, or to ſome other diſcreet and learned Miniſter of Gods Word, and open his grief, that by the miniſtry of Gods holy Word he may receive the benefit of Abſolution, together with ghoſtly counſel and advice, to the quieting of his conſcience, and avoiding of all ſcruple and doubtfulneſs.

¶ *Or in caſe he ſhall ſee the People negligent to come to the holy Communion, inſtead of the former, he ſhall uſe this Exhortation.*

DEarly beloved brethren, on ... I intend by Gods grace, to celebrate the Lords Supper: unto which in Gods behalf I bid you all that are here preſent, and beſeech you for the Lord Jeſus Chriſts ſake, that ye will not refuſe to come thereto, being ſo lovingly called and bidden by God himſelf. Ye know how grievous and unkind a thing it is, when a man hath prepared a rich feaſt, decked his Table with all kind of proviſion, ſo that there lacketh nothing but the gueſts to ſit down, and yet they who are called (without any cauſe) moſt unthankfully refuſe to come. Which of you in ſuch a caſe would not moved? Who would not think a great injury and wrong done unto him? Wherefore, moſt dearly beloved in Chriſt, take ye good heed, leſt ye withdrawing your ſelves from this holy Supper, provoke Gods indignation againſt you. It is an eaſie matter for a man to ſay, I will not communicate, becauſe I am otherwiſe hindred with worldly buſineſs. But ſuch excuſes are not ſo eaſily accepted and allowed before God. If any man ſay, I am a grievous ſinner, and therefore am afraid to come: wherefore then do ye not repent and amend? When God calleth you, are ye not aſhamed to ſay you will not come? When ye ſhould return to God, will ye excuſe your ſelves and ſay ye are not ready? Conſider earneſtly with your ſelves, how little ſuch feigned excuſes will avail before God. They that refuſed the feaſt in the Goſpel, becauſe they had bought a farm, or would try their yokes of oxen, or becauſe they were married, were not ſo excuſed, but counted unworthy of the heavenly feaſt. I for my part ſhall be ready, and according to mine office, I bid you in the Name of God, I call you

in Chriſts behalf, I exhort you, as you love your own ſalvation, that ye will be partakers of this holy Communion. And as the Son of God did vouchſafe to yield up his ſoul by death upon the croſs for your ſalvation: ſo it is your duty to receive the Communion, in remembrance of the ſacrifice of his death, as he himſelf hath commanded: Which if ye ſhall neglect to do, conſider with your ſelves how great injury ye do unto God, and how ſore puniſhment hangeth over your heads for the ſame; when ye wilfully abſtain from the Lords Table, and ſeparate from your brethren, who come to feed on the banquet of that moſt heavenly food. Theſe things if ye earneſtly conſider, ye will by Gods grace return to a better mind: for the obtaining whereof we ſhall not ceaſe to make our humble petitions unto Almighty God our heavenly Father.

¶ *At the time of the Celebration of the Communion, the Communicants being conveniently placed for receiving of the holy Sacrament, the Prieſt ſhall ſay this Exhortation.*

DEarly beloved in the Lord, ye that mind to come to the holy Communion of the body and blood of our Saviour Chriſt, muſt conſider how Saint Paul exhorteth all Perſons diligently to try and examine themſelves, before they preſume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith we receive that holy Sacrament (for then we ſpiritually eat the fleſh of Chriſt, and drink his blood; then we dwell in Chriſt, and Chriſt in us; we are one with Chriſt, and Chriſt with us:) So is the danger great, if we receive the ſame unworthily. For then we are guilty of the body and blood of Chriſt our Saviour; we eat and drink our own damnation, not con-

conſidering the Lords body; we kindle Gods wrath againſt us; we provoke him to plague us with divers diſeaſes, and ſundry kinds of death. Judge therefore your ſelves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord; repent you truly for your ſins paſt; have a lively and ſtedfaſt faith in Chriſt our Saviour; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men, ſo ſhall ye be meet partakers of thoſe holy myſteries. And above all things ye muſt give moſt humble and hearty thanks to God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghoſt, for the redemption of the world by the death and paſſion of our Saviour Chriſt, both God and man, who did humble himſelf even to the death upon the Croſs, for us miſerable ſinners, who lay in darkneſs and the ſhadow of death, that he might make us the children of God, and exalt us to everlaſting life. And to the end that we ſhould alway remember the exceeding great love of our Maſter, and only Saviour, Jeſus Chriſt, thus dying for us, and the innumerable benefits which by his precious blood-ſhedding he hath obtained to us; he hath inſtituted and ordained holy myſteries, as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death, to our great and endleſs comfort. To him therefore with the Father, and the Holy Ghoſt, let us give (as we are moſt bounden) continual thanks, ſubmitting our ſelves wholly to his holy will and pleaſure, and ſtudying to ſerve him in true holineſs and righteouſneſs all the days of our life. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall the Prieſt ſay to them that come to receive the holy Communion.*

YE that do truly and earneſtly repent you of your ſins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, follow-

following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confeſſion to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

¶ *Then ſhall this general Confeſſion be made in the name of all thoſe that are minded to receive the holy Communion, by one of the Miniſters, both he and all the People kneeling humbly upon their knees, and ſaying,*

ALmighty God, Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold ſins and wickedneſs, Which we from time to time moſt grievouſly have committed, by thought word and deed, Againſt thy divine Majeſty, Provoking moſt juſtly thy wrath and indignation againſt us. We do earneſtly repent, And are heartily ſorry for theſe our miſdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, moſt merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jeſus Chriſts ſake, Forgive us all that is paſt, And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and pleaſe thee In newneſs of life, To the honour and glory of thy name, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then ſhall the Prieſt (or the Biſhop being preſent) ſtand up and turning himſelf to the People, pronounce this Abſolution.*

ALmighty God our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promiſed forgiveneſs of ſins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your ſins, confirm

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and ſtrengthen you in all goodneſs, and bring you to everlaſting life, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall the Prieſt ſay,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Chriſt ſaith unto all that truly turn to him.

COme unto me, all that travel and are heavy laden, and I will refreſh you. S. *Matth.* 11. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him ſhould not periſh, but have everlaſting life. S. *Joh.* 3. 16.

Hear alſo what S. Paul ſaith.

This is a true ſaying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Chriſt Jeſus came into the world to ſave ſinners. 1 *Tim.* 1. 15.

Hear alſo what S. John ſaith.

If any man ſin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jeſus Chriſt the righteous, and he is the propitiation for our ſins. 1 S. *John* 2. 1.

¶ *After which the Prieſt ſhall proceed, ſaying,*

Lift up your hearts.

Anſw. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Prieſt. Let us give thanks our unto Lord God.

Anſw. It is meet and right ſo to do.

¶ *Then ſhall the Prieſt turn to the Lords Table, and ſay,*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we ſhould at all times, and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, * Holy Father, Almighty, everlaſting God.

* *Theſe words* [Holy Father] *muſt be omitted on Trinity-Sunday.*

¶ *Here*

¶ *Here ſhall follow the proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any ſpecially appointed: or elſe immediately ſhall follow,*

THerefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnifie thy glorious Name, evermore praiſing thee, and ſaying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hoſts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord moſt high. *Amen.*

¶ *Proper Prefaces.*

¶ *Upon Chriſtmas day, and ſeven days after.*

BEcauſe thou didſt give Jeſus Chriſt thine only Son to be born as at this time for us, who by the operation of the Holy Ghoſt, was made very man of the ſubſtance of the Virgin Mary his mother, and that without ſpot of ſin, to make us clean from all ſin. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon Eaſter day, and ſeven days after.*

BUt chiefly are we bound to praiſe thee for the glorious reſurrection of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord: for he is the very Paſcal Lamb which was offered for us, and hath taken away the ſin of the world; who by his death hath deſtroyed death, and by his riſing to life again, hath reſtored to us everlaſting life. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon Aſcenſion-day, and ſeven days after.*

THrough thy moſt dearly beloved Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, who after his moſt glorious reſurrection manifeſtly appeared to all his Apoſtles, and in their ſight aſcended up into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might alſo aſcend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon*

¶ *Upon Whitſunday, and ſix days after.*

THrough Jeſus Chriſt our Lord; according to whoſe moſt true promiſe, the Holy Ghoſt came down as at this time from heaven with a ſudden great ſound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeneſs of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apoſtles, to teach them, and lead them to all truth, giving them both the gift of divers languages, and alſo boldneſs with fervent zeal, conſtantly to preach the Goſpel unto all nations, whereby we have been brought out of darkneſs and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon the Feaſt of Trinity only.*

WHo art one God, one Lord; not one only perſon, but three perſons in one ſubſtance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the ſame we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghoſt, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *After each of which Prefaces, ſhall immediately be ſung or ſaid,*

THerefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnifie thy glorious Name, evermore praiſing thee, and ſaying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hoſts, heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord moſt High. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall the Prieſt, kneeling down at the Lords Table, ſay in the name of all them that ſhall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.*

WE do not preſume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, truſting in our own righteouſneſs, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy ſo much as to gather

ther up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the ſame Lord, whoſe property is alwavs to have mercy; Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, ſo to eat the Fleſh of thy dear Son Jeſus Chriſt, and to drink his blood, that our ſinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our ſouls waſhed through his moſt precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Prieſt, ſtanding before the Table, hath ſo ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readineſs and decency break the Bread before the People, and take the Cup into his hands, he ſhall ſay the Prayer of Conſecration, as followeth.*

ALmighty God our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didſt give thine only Son Jeſus Chriſt to ſuffer death upon the croſs for our redemption, who made there (by his one oblation of himſelf once offered) a full, perfect, and ſufficient ſacrifice, oblation, and ſatisfaction for the ſins of the whole world, and did inſtitute, and in his holy Goſpel command us to continue a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again; Hear us, O merciful Father, we moſt humbly beſeech thee, and grant that we receiving theſe thy creatures of Bread and Wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jeſus Chriſts holy inſtitution, in remembrance of his death and paſſion, may be partakers of his moſt bleſſed body and blood: Who in the ſame night that he was betrayed (*a*) took bread, and when he had given thanks, (*b*) he brake it, and gave it to his diſciples, ſaying, Take eat, (*c*) this is my body which is given for you, do this in remembrance of me. Likewiſe

(a) *Here the Prieſt is to take the Paten into his hands:*
(b) *And here to break the bread:*
(c) *And here to lay his hand upon all the bread.*

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after ſupper (*d*) he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, ſaying, Drink ye all of this, for this (*e*) is my blood of the New Teſtament, which is ſhed for you and for many for the remiſſion of ſins: Do this as oft as ye ſhall drink it, in remembrance of me. *Amen.*

(d) *Here he is to take the cup into his hand:*

(e) *And here to lay his hand upon every veſſel (be it chalice or flagon) in which there is any wine to be conſecrated.*

¶ *Then ſhall the Miniſter firſt receive the Communion in both kinds himſelf, and then proceed to deliver the ſame to the Biſhops, Prieſts, and Deacons in like manner (if any be preſent) and after that to the people alſo in order, into their hands, all meekly kneeling. And when he delivereth the Bread to any one, he ſhall ſay,*

THE Body of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, which was given for thee, preſerve thy body and ſoul unto everlaſting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Chriſt died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thankſgiving.

¶ *And the Miniſter that delivereth the Cup to any one, ſhall ſay,*

THE Blood of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, which was ſhed for thee, preſerve thy body and ſoul unto everlaſting life. Drink this in remembrance that Chriſts Blood was ſhed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ *If the conſecrated Bread or Wine be all ſpent before all have communicated; the Prieſt is to conſecrate more according to the Form before preſcribed: Beginning at* [Our Saviour Chriſt in the ſame night, *&c.*] *for the bleſſing of the Bread; and at* [Likewiſe after Supper, *&c.*] *for the bleſſing of the Cup.*

¶ *When*

¶ *When all have communicated, the Minister shall return to the Lords Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen Cloth.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say the Lords Prayer, the People repeating after him every petition.*

OUr Father, which art in Heaven; Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *After shall be said as followeth.*

O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy through our manifold sins to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost;

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all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

ALmighty and everliving God, we moſt heartily thank thee, for that thou doſt vouchſafe to feed us, who have duly received theſe holy myſteries, with the ſpiritual food of the moſt precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt; and doſt aſſure us thereby of thy favour and goodneſs towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the myſtical Body of thy Son, which is the bleſſed company of all faithful people; and are alſo heirs through hope of thy everlaſting kingdom, by the merits of the moſt precious death and paſſion of thy dear Son. And we moſt humbly beſeech thee, O heavenly Father, ſo to aſſiſt us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowſhip, and do all ſuch good works as thou haſt prepared for us to walk in, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, to whom with thee, and the Holy Ghoſt, be all honour and glory world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall be ſaid or ſung,*

GLory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praiſe thee, we bleſs thee, we worſhip thee, we glorifie thee, we give thanks to thee, for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son Jeſu Chriſt; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takeſt away the ſins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takeſt away the ſins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takeſt away the ſins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that ſitteſt at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

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For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only, O Chriſt, with the Holy Ghoſt, art moſt high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Prieſt (or Biſhop, if he be preſent) ſhall let them depart with this bleſſing.*

THe peace of God which paſſeth all underſtanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord: And the bleſſing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the holy Ghoſt, be amongſt you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *Collects to be ſaid after the Offertory, when there is no Communion, every ſuch day one or more; and the ſame may be ſaid alſo, as often as occaſion ſhall ſerve, after the Collects either of Morning or Evening Prayer, Communion or Litany, by the diſcretion of the Miniſter.*

ASſiſt us mercifully, O Lord, in theſe our ſupplications and prayers, and diſpoſe the way of thy ſervants towards the attainment of everlaſting ſalvation; that among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy moſt gracious and ready help, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

O Almighty Lord, and everlaſting God, vouchſafe, we beſeech thee, to direct, ſanctifie, and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments, that through thy moſt mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preſerved in body and ſoul, through our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

GRant, we beſeech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through thy grace be ſo grafted

grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praiſe of thy Name, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

PRevent us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy moſt gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in thee, we may glorifie thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlaſting life, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

ALmighty God, the fountain of all wiſdom, who knoweſt our neceſſities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beſeech thee to have compaſſion upon our infirmities; and thoſe things which for our unworthineſs we dare not, and for our blindneſs we cannot ask, vouchſafe to give us for the worthineſs of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

ALmighty God, who haſt promiſed to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Sons Name; We beſeech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and ſupplications unto thee, and grant that thoſe things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our neceſſity, and to the ſetting forth of thy glory, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

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